

# BOTANICAL SUMMARY OF A LOWLAND ULTRABASIC FLORA IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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## ABSTRACT

The ultrabasic flora of the Kamiali Wildlife Management Area is described from a recent series of floristic surveys. The general account and checklist also incorporates information from earlier collections. Two new species are presented: *Psychotria bulilimontis* (Rubiaceae), and *Trichadenia sasae* (Salicaceae). Other taxa of special interest are briefly discussed.

KEY WORDS: botanical survey, serpentine, ultrabasics

## JAPANESE ABSTRACT

カミアリ野生生物管理区の超塩基性植物相について、最近行われた一連の植物調査の結果から記述する。初期に行われたパプア超塩基性ベルト地帯での採集調査結果もモロベ州南部の低地蛇紋岩地域の調査結果と共に総合的に扱った。2つの新種、*Psychotria bulilimontis* (アカネ科)と*Trichadenia sasae* (イイギリ科)について発表するとともに、特に興味深い他の分類群についても簡単に記す。

キーワード：植生調査、蛇紋岩、超塩基性土壌

## INTRODUCTION

After more than a century of scientific publication on the Papuan flora, the ultrabasic (i.e. ultramafic or serpentine) vegetation of Papua New Guinea (PNG) is still largely unknown in spite of its unusual qualities. Multidisciplinary surveys were initiated in 1997 to address the need for information from such areas, using the Kamiali Wildlife Management Area (KWMA) as a focal site for biodiversity assessment (Figs. 1–2). The selected location offered a number of unique advantages among comparable PNG environments, as it included a complete elevational sequence of natural-growth habitats from sealevel to cloudy summits, and its exploration could be conducted with cost-effective itineraries. In the following narrative, botanical results from the recent investigations are presented and integrated with earlier work in the Papuan Ultrabasic Belt.

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The first collections from southern Morobe were made in the Waria drainage (Fig. 3) by R. Schlechter (in 1908; see Schlechter 1911–14) after which there was a general neglect of the district until the NGF/LAE collections of the former Department of Forests. Most of Schlechter's specimens were later lost during the WWII destruction of the Berlin Herbarium. In 1990, Clements rediscovered



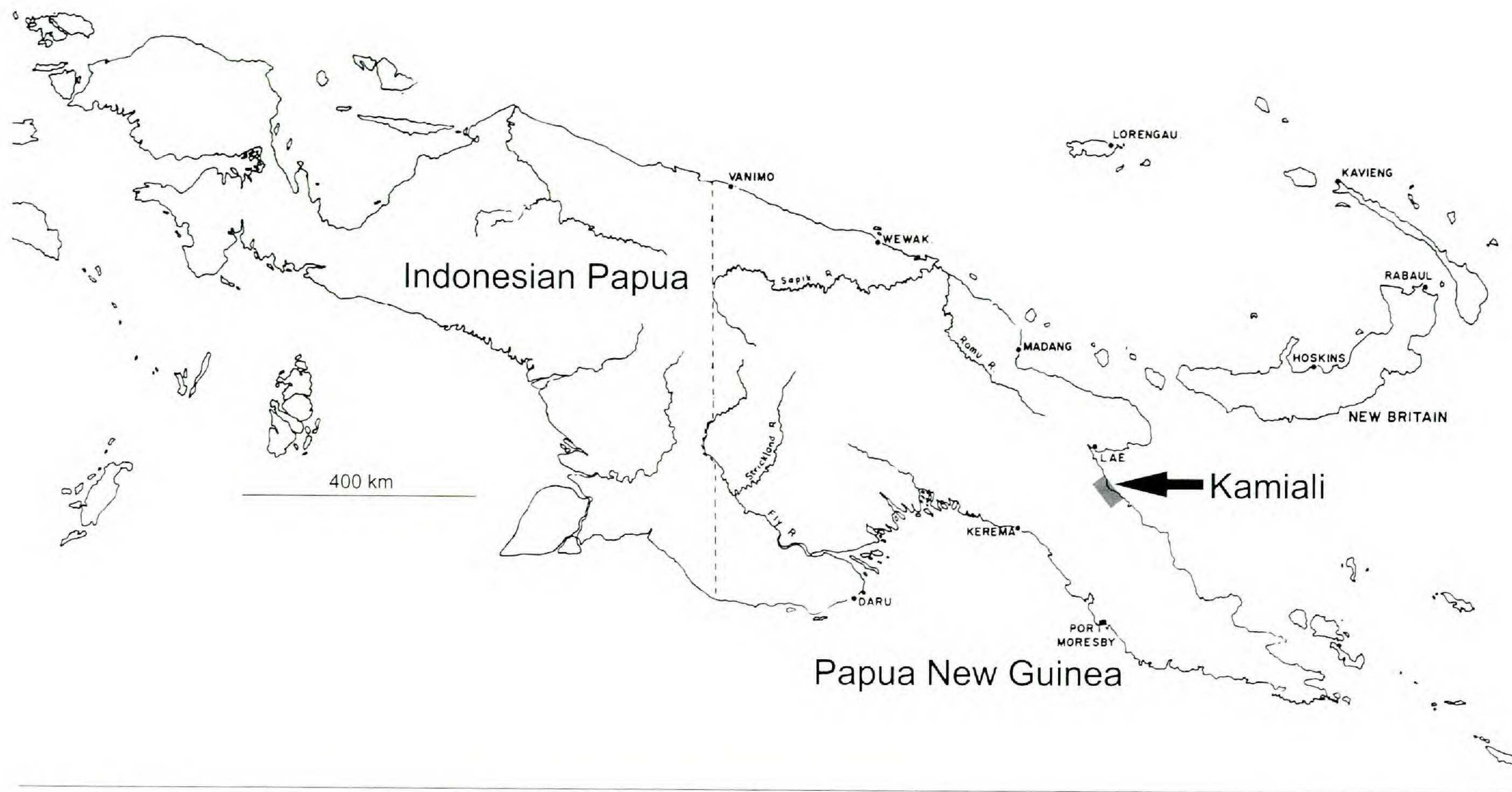


FIG. 1. Island of New Guinea. Shaded area: lowland interval of the Papuan Ultrabasic Belt. Arrow: Kamiali village.



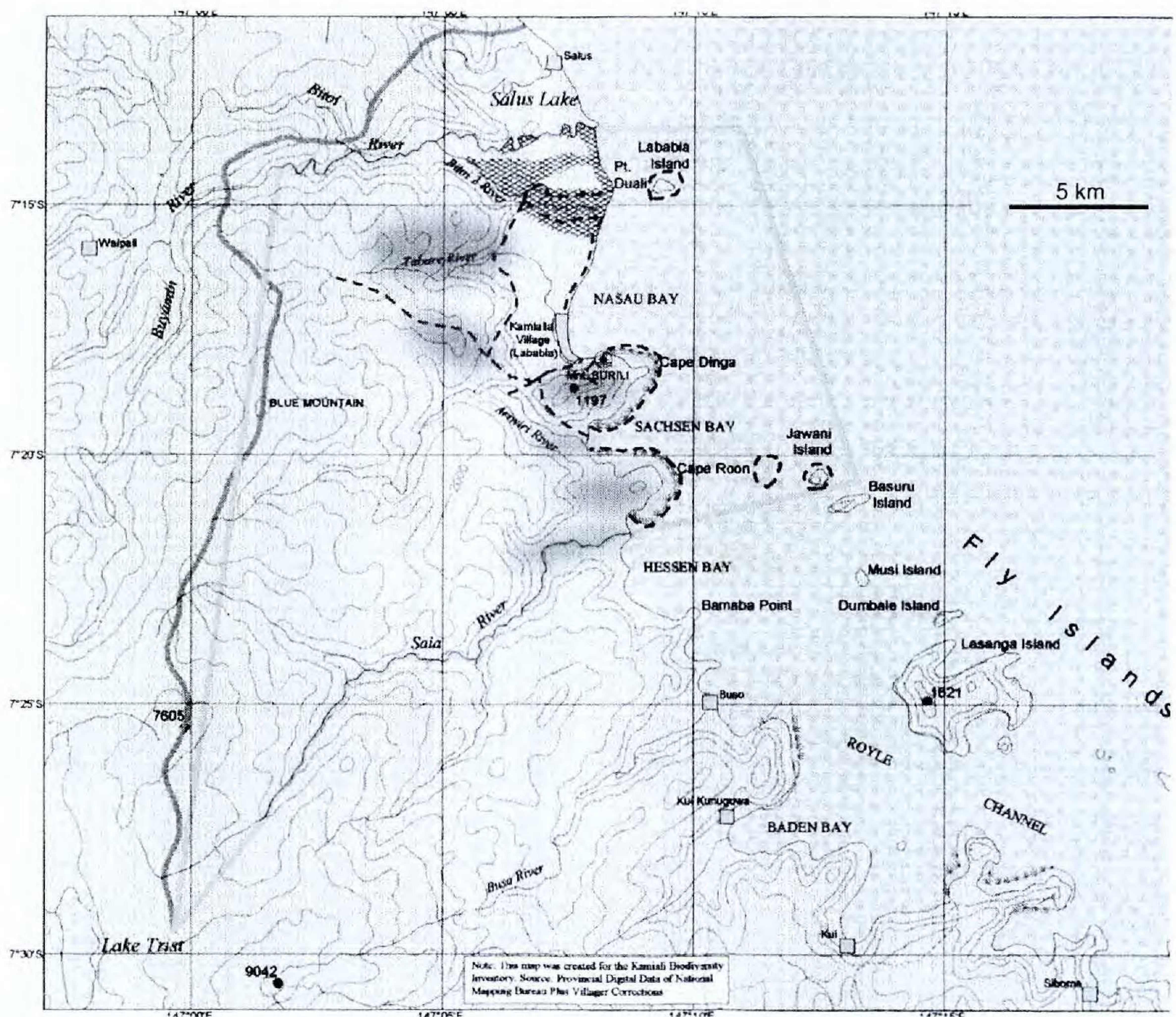


FIG. 2. Kamiali Wildlife Management Area (KWMA). Light-colored perimeter: KWMA gazetted boundary. Darker-colored perimeter: customary lands claimed by the Kamiali people. Shaded elliptical areas: principal survey sites. Contours: 250', 500', 1000', then subsequently in increments of 1000'. Adapted from Village Development Trust file map.

several of the lost German taxa and described some new ones (Clements & Ziesing 1990). Exploration of nearby Natter Bay (e.g. by Croft in 1976) also yielded interesting new material (Fig. 4). Since 1908 there has otherwise been little collections activity between the Waria River and Paiewa (Paiawa).

Particularly during the 1970s, the area around Buso was used as a training site by the Bulolo Forestry College (now Bulolo University) and many specimens were taken during periodic visits by expatriate botanists of that general period (*inter alia* B. Conn, D. Foreman, A. Gillison, E. Henty, M. Jacobs, A. Millar, C. Ridsdale, and H. Streimann). Although the Buso locality is thus relatively well documented in comparison to adjacent areas, it was later despoiled by logging subsidiaries of Rimbunan Hijau. Confronted by mounting environmental concerns from landowners and advocacy groups, the last logging company (Timber Products Marketing Corporation) was forced to leave in 1995, but by





FIG. 3. A typical non-ultrabasic forest in the alluvial zone of the Waria River.



FIG. 4. Natter Bay. Coastal ridges dominated by remnant stands of *Anisoptera thurifera* ssp. *polyandra*.



then an extensive territory between Buso and Morobe Bay had been harvested by commercial operators (Fig. 5).<sup>1</sup> Although remnant *Anisoptera*-dominant stands are still scattered along the S Morobe coast (e.g. at Siboma or 'Simpoma'), most of the low elevation forests are currently in early successional recovery. The Kamiali Wildlife Management Area (KWMA) is now the only significant primary-growth habitat in the Huon electorate southeast of Lae.

In 1992–1993, the villages of SE Morobe (i.e. Kamiali, Buso, Kui, Siboma, and Paiewa) developed a cooperative proposal for environment-sensitive alternatives to the concessional logging which was then occurring (Zibe-Kokino 1993). Known as the Lasanga Island-Lake Trist Conservation Project, the initiative was based on the principles of Integrated Conservation and Development (ICAD), an economic model which promotes smallscale enterprise as a substitute for ecologically-disruptive activities.

Since its early beginnings at Crater Mt, the ICAD methodology has developed into the principal present-day mechanism for environmental conservation in PNG, as evidenced by the growing body of literature produced by its proponents (e.g. James 1996; Johnson 1997; McCallum & Sekhran 1997; Pearl 1994; Saulei & Ellis 1998; Wagner 2001a, in press). Several major programs are currently being implemented under the ICAD format, most notably by testbed projects in the Adelbert Mts, Crater Mt, Hunstein, Kamiali, Kikori, Milne Bay, and Tonda. However, some conspicuous failures have occurred (McCallum & Sekhran 1997).

Many issues and problems encountered at other ICAD localities were also experienced by the Lasanga-Lake Trist initiative, in particular the inability of stakeholders to achieve a consensus as each clan group fought to maximize its own benefits. After the original design for a 250,000 ha easement was compromised by funding difficulties, the proposal was recast as a 47,000 ha conservation area including only the Kamiali territory (Anon. Sept. 19, 1996). This reduction in scope enabled the project to proceed by focusing participation on a more homogeneous combination of landowners, but at a probable loss in protection of biodiversity values.

The present KWMA is a linked land-sea conservation zone, of which only 29,285 ha is terrestrial environment (ibid.). While there is little consensus on the minimum size requirement for protected areas, it is unlikely that the existing KWMA is large enough to serve as a stand-alone conservation unit. The self-sustainability of biotic communities arguably requires significantly larger territories, especially in view of the destructive effects of probable disturbance

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<sup>1</sup>Additional timber production blocks were subsequently proposed by the National Forest Plan (Anon. 1996) for Salamaua, Lake Trist, and Waria Valley. Placed in abeyance by a country-wide forestry moratorium, the prohibitions against new logging projects were recently lifted. However as a result of the logging damage from previous years, it will be difficult for industrial operators to reenter the general area, in part because of the environmental advocacy now conducted by organizations such as VDT.



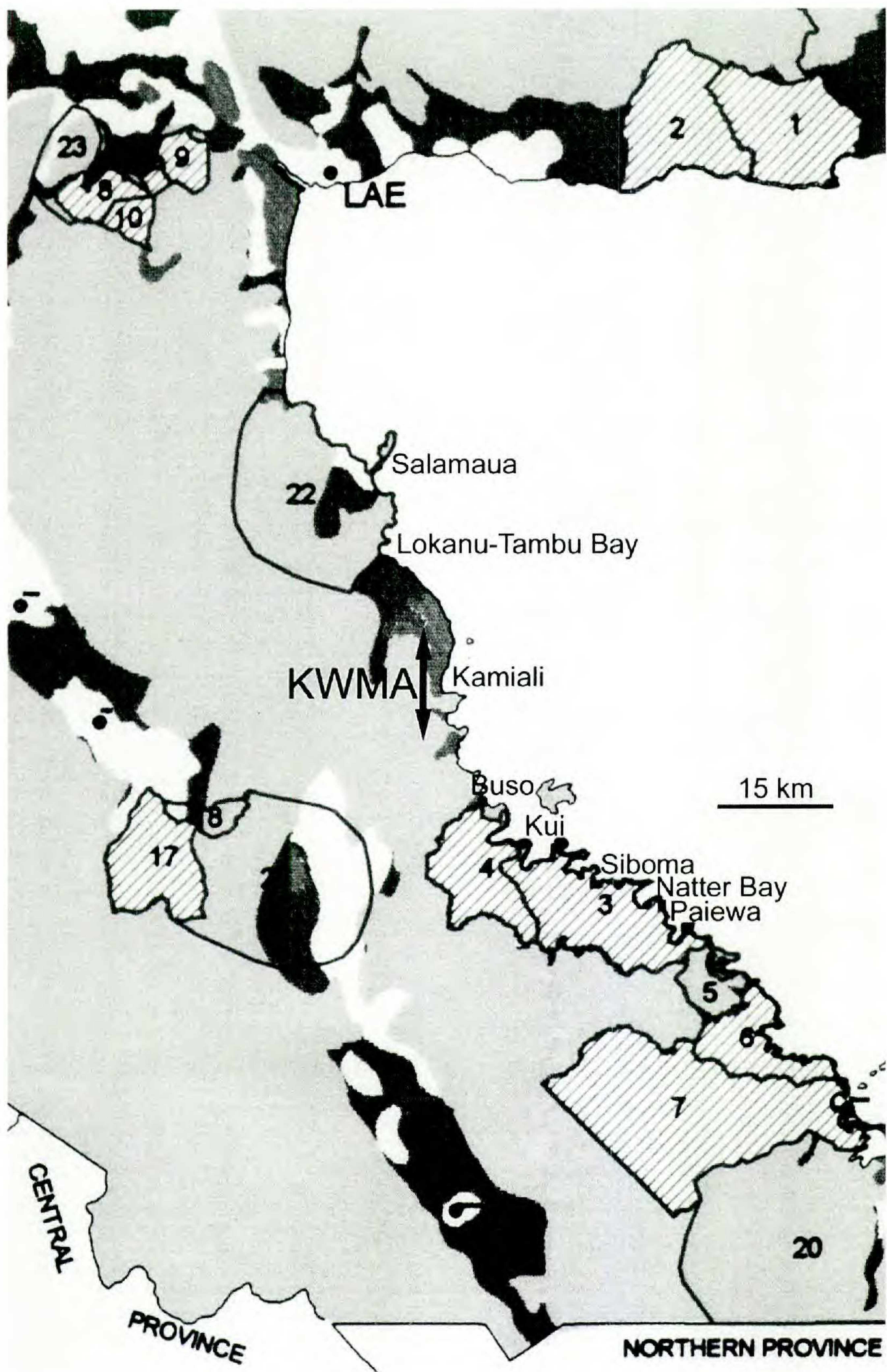


FIG. 5. Forest production areas in south Morobe (striped blocks 3–7). 3. Kui Buso TP (Timber Purchase); 4. Kui Buso extension TP; 5. Maiama-A TP; 6. Maiama-B TP; 7. Morobe TP. Other localities from the text are also indicated. The Waria River (not shown) is near the boundary between Morobe and Northern Provinces. Adapted from Anonymous (1996).



mechanisms such as cyclonic storms and El Niño events. In depauperate forests with monodominant canopies (e.g. Hawaii), a complete suite of species and forest successional stages can be encompassed by tracts as small as 100–200 ha (Mueller-Dombois 1980). But New Guinea floristic environments are among the richest in the paleotropics, and the minimum-area requirements are several orders of magnitude higher. Jeffries (1996) for example, gives 50,000 ha as a lower limit for biodiversity protection, while Beehler and Alcorn (1993) go as high as 800,000 ha. Even within that wide interval, the existing Kamiali easement falls substantially under target. Against this background, the impending expansion of the KWMA to a southern boundary near Paiewa will help to address some of the biological requirements implicit in ICAD design. Sanctioned by local communities in 2002, the new development will bring ca. 300,000 ha of terrestrial environment under conservation management (Kisokau & Siga, pers. comm. Feb. 2003).

Although traditional cultures in PNG are often depicted as being based on consultation and consensus, achieving a determination of common purpose or directed action is never easy. Centrifugal forces are powerful in local politics, as clan, subclan, and kinship self-interests are more important than any perception of the common good (Martin 1998). Expansion of ICAD operations from Kamiali into adjacent territories is certain to aggravate the difficulties inherent in management of customary lands. Those same problems previously led to the polarization of the original Lasanga-Lake Trist conservation plan. The successful resolution of conflicts arising from parochial motivations will determine the effectiveness of the enlarged VDT conservation area at Kui-Siboma and of possible future expansion along the coastal corridor to Oro (Northern) Province. Whether this can actually be achieved within the context of the ICAD philosophy is very much an ongoing issue of considerable future significance to conservation in PNG.

### **The Physical Environment**

*Climate.*—The KWMA lies mostly within Morobe's lowland and premontane climatic zones, where the mean annual rainfall is 3,000–4,000 mm. The wettest months generally occur during January–April, when prevailing winds are northwesterly, and the driest in May–August when the winds are replaced by southeasterly trades (McAlpine et al. 1983). Even during the dry season, mean monthly rainfalls are generally around 200 mm, and the vegetation is rarely subjected to water shortages under normal circumstances (ibid.: 140). Most climatic classifications would describe the project sites as tropical everwet or perhumid, reflecting the overall absence of moisture deficits.

In the western Pacific, El Niño oscillations are typically accompanied by severe droughts in rainforest environments like the Bowutu Range. During the 1997–98 disturbance, coastal tracts adjacent to the KWMA were subjected to



devastating fires which destroyed substantial areas of forest (Fig. 6). Formerly covered with primary growth, Lasanga burned out of control during the 1997–98 drought and is now a weedy island. In marked contrast to the El Niño episodes, the periods of peak rainfall are often accompanied by severe flooding in the lowlands and numerous landslides on higher slopes. In 1999 the La Niña rains resulted in torrential surges along the main rivers emptying into Nasau and Sachsen Bays, completely destroying the subsistence gardens on the Bitoi Delta. As the KWMA rivers overflowed their banks, the flood waters flattened wide channels through the surrounding alluvial forest. The botanical team subsequently enjoyed unprecedented access and easy collecting along the corridors of felled canopy, which years later, are now becoming clogged with impenetrable thickets of *Calamus*.

*Geology.*—Much of New Guinea's diversity has been shaped by a complex and dynamic geological past. Although the southern part of the island is an extension of the Australian craton, the northern districts are a melange of former island arcs which rafted onto the mainland during the northward migration of the Australian landmass (Dow 1977; Jaques & Robinson 1975; Pigram & Davies 1987). The Papuan Peninsula, consisting of the SE-trending 'tail' of New Guinea, represents the remnants of an accreted arc (Hamilton 1979).

The Bowutu Range forms a major portion of the Papuan Peninsula and is also PNG's most extensive elevational series of ultramafic landscapes (Dow & Davies 1964). This general region is part of a terrane complex paleohistorically distinct from the rest of northern New Guinea, having docked with the mainland ca. 10 m.y. after the Sepik terranes (Pigram & Davies 1987). The area's unusual geology has led to its recognition as a separate physiographic province, extending from the Kamiali coastline to the craggy summits of the Owen Stanley Range (i.e. the Papuan Ultrabasic Belt, cf. Bain 1973; Löffler 1977; Thompson & Fisher 1965). Between Lokanu-Tambu Bay and Kui village, the ultrabasic belt forms a continuous series of lowland environments. The offshore islands such as Lasanga and Musik are part of a different (nonserpentine) geological series reaching southwards to the Waria River (Dow & Davies 1964) and are excluded from consideration in this paper.

*Soils.*—Ultrabasic environments are characterized by substrates low in silica, but with high magnesium and iron contents. In addition to deleterious magnesium/calcium ratios, ultrabasic soils are frequently associated with phytotoxic concentrations of nickel, chromium, and cobalt (Brooks 1987; Whitmore 1975). The influence of heavy metals is often cited as being responsible for the stunted vegetation of serpentine habitats, though it should be noted that low-statured canopies are not an invariable feature of ultramafic forests (see Fox & Tan 1971; Proctor et al. 1988).

Bowutu populations from at least one species [*Rinorea bengalensis* (Wall.)





FIG. 6. Bulili Ridge. Forest burn from the 1997–98 El Niño drought.

O.K.], are known to accumulate nickel (Brooks 1987). There are no reports of heavy metal accumulation in other native plants. A brief discussion of serpentine floras in New Guinea is provided by Brooks (*ibid.*), Paijmans (1976), and van Royen (1963), but there is a conspicuous absence of floristic data in such accounts. A summary of ultrabasic vegetation is otherwise available for the tropical far east (Proctor 1992). While it is generally recognized that ultrabasics are associated with depauperate canopies easily discerned in aerial photographs (Paijmans 1976), the species composition of the communities remains poorly known for Papuasias. Comparative studies from Western Malesia show wide variation in the structure and endemism of such floras (Proctor et al. 2000).

Ultrabasic terrain in PNG is characteristically composed of massive ridges with uniform slopes and unstable soils (Löffler 1977; Paijmans 1976). The topographic instability of the study area is reflected in the presence of old landslip scars on many mountainsides (Figs. 7–8). Earthquakes with shallow epicenters are common in northern New Guinea (Hamilton 1979), and can aggravate local tendencies for landsliding. Quake-triggered landslides have been responsible for many fatalities in Morobe Province.

The KWMA hill habitat is unsuitable for agriculture (Bleeker 1975a, 1975b) because of erosion hazards and the general infertility associated with serpen-





FIG. 7. Sachsen Bay. Landslide behind mangrove community.

tine substrates. In contrast, the flood plain of the major streams (Bitoi, Tabali, Arawiri, and Saia),<sup>2</sup> have deep deposits of organic alluvium (Fig. 9). The Bitoi Delta between the Areta (N) and Daunawa (S) branches is a particularly fertile tract in which nearly all the Kamiali food gardens are concentrated. Unlike many Highlands areas where intensified cropping has led to lowered productivities (see Levett & Bala 1995), the KWMA agricultural system has surplus capacity capable of supporting twice the present population (Bein et al. in press, in submission). The high productivities are due to the presence of rich delta soils and their renewal by seasonal floods (ibid.).<sup>3</sup> These factors have enabled the adoption of a shortened 7-year garden cycle (vs. an estimated 20 years in normal slash and burn rotations). At current rates of population increase, the existing subsistence system can probably satisfy local needs for 35 more years without any expansion in area (Wagner 2001b).

### The Social Environment

The total population of Kamiali was 520 in August 1997. There are two major

<sup>2</sup>On contemporary maps the Arawiri (Ariwiri) is shown as the Alealer River, and the Saia as the Sela River (Royal Australian Survey Corps Series T601, Nasau sheet 8383, Edition 1-AAS, 1:100,000).

<sup>3</sup>Martin (1998) specifies a Bitoi crop rotation of 3–4 years and suggests the standard rotation period at nearby Kui village is 10–15 years. Levett and Bala (1995) give 7–20 years as the standard swidden cycle for PNG.





FIG. 8. As for figure 7, showing the successional community. The seral taxa include mainly *Dicranopteris linearis*, *Machaerina glomerata*, *M. rubiginosa*, *Myrtella beccarii*, and *Stenocarpus moorei*.





FIG. 9. Saia River. Several new fish species have been discovered in the clear-flowing streams of the KWMA.

clans, the Gara and Tabali, and at least 12 subclans (Martin 1998, 1999). Kela is the indigenous tongue, one of approximately 200 comprising the Austronesian language group of northeastern New Guinea (McElhanon 1984; Wurm 1985). Nearly all villagers also speak the lingua franca of PNG (i.e. Tok Pisin). With the recent establishment of a community school, most children have acquired at least some understanding of English.<sup>4</sup>

Seemingly unstructured to western observers, local village life is actually governed by an extensive network of customary practices and expectations. Inheritance and property rights are matrilineal by tradition, but considerable change is occurring as a result of exposure to modern influences. Martin (1998, 1999, 2001) and Wagner (2001b) provide an informative discussion of social developments in their specific connection to conservation.

Despite their retention of customary lifestyles, Kamiali inhabitants are surprisingly sophisticated and informed, a direct result of the quality-of-life improvements introduced by the Village Development Trust within the past 10 years. Several community leaders for example, are computer literate and maintain international email contacts from VDT's offices in Lae. As another sign of

<sup>4</sup>There are 6 principal Kela-speaking villages on the Huon coast, divided into two apparent dialect groups. Kamiali has its closest linguistic and kinship affinities to the hamlets of Buso and Kui immediately to the southeast, the latter centers having been established by migration of Kamiali settlers during a former time of epidemic (Martin 1998).



cultural change, researchers are required to establish a Memorandum of Understanding with village-appointed representatives, disclosing the purpose of an intended study and affirming its obligations to the Kamiali people.

The KWMA villagers are dependent on marine resources for their livelihood (mainly reef fishing) supplemented by a limited range of garden crops. Cash incomes are small and sporadic, on a household basis typically falling between PGK 500–4,000 per year (at current rates 1 PGK=0.25 USD), mostly from the sale of fish, sea shells, and betel nuts (Martin 1998; Wagner 2001b). Although the Kamiali territory consists predominantly of primary forest rich in animal life, only three individuals from the village population (Enok Nasa, Tani Jena, Tom Ziena) are known to actively hunt wild game such as cuscus, pigs, cassowaries, and wildfowl. For a people with copious forest resources, remarkably little use is made of the terrestrial environment. Even among the small hunting fraternity, forest forays are apparently undertaken mainly for recreation, and overnight trips are rarely attempted. To a certain extent, the apparent avoidance of inland habitats may be due to a belief in animalism and spirits (masalai), even though all villagers profess devotion to the Christian (Lutheran) faith. For whatever reason, there is essentially no human presence in the interior areas above 500 m. Since subsistence farming is confined to the flood plain on the Bitoi Delta (a tract of ca. 460 hectares), human impacts on the environment are practically nonexistent (Martin 1998; Wagner 2001b).

### **The Logistical Environment**

In geographic regions with the environmental qualities of New Guinea, investigators have little difficulty identifying biologically suitable localities for botanical research. During the selection of potential study sites, the logistical limitations imposed by poor civil infrastructures often take precedence over the biological concerns. When viewed in this context, the KWMA offers a particularly attractive combination of site attributes.

In addition to exceptional floristic quality, the coastal location of the KWMA and its proximity to Lae (the second largest city in the country) provide researchers with unusually cost-effective logistics. There is no other conservation locality in PNG offering equivalent accessibility and scientific value in one package. While many natural areas are of similar interest, their remoteness and associated travel costs discourage longterm study. Although the KWMA has no roads or airstrips, the site can be conveniently reached by outboard-equipped dinghies ('speedboats').<sup>5</sup>

On the shores of Nasau Bay the Village Development Trust maintains a permanent training center, guest houses, on-site staff, wireless communications, and sea transport. Primary forest is immediately adjacent to the accommodations,

<sup>5</sup>Travel time is 2.5 hours from Lae by 40 hp outboard and 1.5 hours by 70 hp. Charter rates for 40 and 70 hp speedboats are PGK 600 and PGK 800 respectively (roundtrip Lae-Kamiali).



allowing easy access to serpentine vegetation. With electric generators for the facilities available on continuous standby, researchers are able to live and work under conditions conducive to high morale and productivity. Of particular importance to scientists using customary lands, access and intellectual property issues have been successfully negotiated via VDT-brokered agreements with local landowners. In recognition of these infrastructural advantages, the KWMA was selected as the principal PNG site for elevation-sequenced studies in the Pacific-Asia Biodiversity Transect network (PABITRA; Takeuchi 2003a, digital images on <http://www.senckenberg.uni-frankfurt.de/odes/>).

In conformity with the ICAD concept, ecotourism is actively encouraged as an environment-friendly enterprise within the conservation zone. Kamiali's scenic shoreline of white-sand beaches is currently a featured scientific attraction, with nearly 5 km of waterfront serving as active nesting sites for the endangered leatherback turtle. Substantial numbers of science-oriented visitors arrive during the haul-out season in November-March to observe the turtle tagging operations (Kisokau & Dutton 2002; Lindgren 1999a). In marked contrast to the spartan conditions at most research venues, the KWMA's ambience and infrastructure are comparable to a vacation resort.

Kamiali's checkered history forms a colorful backdrop to these present-day assets. During WWII Nasau Bay was the site of a major battle between Allied and Japanese forces (see Lindgren 1999b, 2000, for a popular account), and many war artefacts, including aircraft and ordnance, are still present in the area (Figs. 10–11). Local guide services are available at modest cost to tourists and other visitors.

### **The Biotic Environment**

Although Paijmans (1976) believed that no native plants are restricted to ultrabasics, there is mounting evidence that such substrates are in fact associated with substantial endemism. In addition to the presence of localized endemics, serpentine environments are also noted for distributional anomalies, particularly by taxa occurring at elevations far below their usual centers. This pattern is especially pronounced on the Bowutu ultrabasics, where the *Massenerhebung* effect of coastal mountains (see Grubb 1971; Grubb & Stevens 1985; Whitmore 1975) combines synergistically with substrate effects. Many low-elevational records can be expected from such situations, since the KWMA is PNG's only conservation locality where serpentine communities are disposed in a continuous sequence from sealevel to cloudy summits.

Nearly all information from Bowutu environments are from easily-studied coastal localities. The montane and inland areas have been neglected despite their presumed biotic significance. In recognition of these deficiencies, the Bowutu Range is included among PNG's 16 terrestrial unknown areas and as one of the five most critical watersheds requiring conservation action (Sekhran





FIG. 10. Unexploded US 500 lb GP bomb from the KWMA. Explosives recovered from WWII-vintage munitions are often used in near-shore fish dynamiting, a practice implicated as a principal cause of reef damage and declining fish stocks. Such bombing is illegal in PNG and is also outlawed under the KWMA's organic rules (Anonymous, Sept. 19, 1996), but the prohibitions are not vigorously enforced. Photo Karol Kisokau.

& Miller 1995). Johns (1993) had listed the district with 42 other localities of greatest floristic importance for PNG. The estimate of 4,000+ plant species for the area is among the highest of any existing conservation site (*ibid.*).

In 1997 a multidisciplinary survey was concluded within the KWMA, focusing primarily on marine and land-fauna documentation (Bein et al. 1998; Bein 1999). The botanical inventory started in 1998 immediately after the animal surveys had ended. Taken collectively, the biotic assessments have examined coastal and alluvial swamps, lowland rainforest, premontane foothill forest, and mossy cloud forest. The collections density (CD: 890 plant specimens per 100 sq km) is very high by Papuasian standards, but this figure is misleading because much of the collecting has been confined to the lowlands.<sup>6</sup> The montane communities are still poorly known, even though most of the floristic diversity is probably concentrated at the higher elevations. Approximately 20 new plant species have been discovered during the ongoing investigations (Huynh 2001, 2002; Pipoly & Takeuchi in submission; Stevens in submission;

<sup>6</sup>The overall CD for Papuasias is only 30 collections per 100 sq km (Frodin 1990). The atypical nature of the Kamiali sampling coverage is evidenced by the near-absence of collections from above 500 m elevation. In other PNG environments, the montane areas are usually much better known than the lowland habitats.





FIG. 11. Rusting 81 mm mortar shells from the KWMA. In 1943 Nasau Bay was the site of an amphibious assault by the US 32nd Division and a land attack from Wau by the Australian 32 Bde (Burns 1991). Photo Karol Kisokau.

Takeuchi 2001, 2003b). The findings obtained to date provide evidence of a continuing potential for discovery in one of PNG's most distinctive floristic environments.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

In contrast to Rapid Biological Assessments, the botanical survey was based on a plan involving numerous visits to the KWMA. Fieldtrips of 1–2 weeks duration were conducted at ca. 4 month intervals during the 4-year survey. With a schedule of repeated visits, fertile specimens were acquired throughout the year, and even infrequently-flowering taxa could be collected. Because of the KWMA's logistical advantages, studies employing such itineraries can achieve a more complete and cost-effective coverage than efforts based on single visits. The benefits of conducting small-area inventories over extended periods of time have been discussed by earlier commentators (e.g. Prance 1977).

Forest communities were examined by walk-through collecting and visual assessment, operating either from campsites established in the bush, or from the KWMA science facilities at Lababia Ridge and Kulindi (Figs. 12–14). The explorations were generally confined to the lowland zone below 500 m. Plant collections were usually made in sets of 3–5 duplicates, but if a specimen was believed to have special significance, this was increased to ca. 10 duplicates. At





FIG. 12. Parataxonomists collecting along the Saia River.

the Kulindi Science Center, electric generators enabled gatherings to be dried by artificial heat immediately after collecting in adjacent forests. Otherwise when operating from bushcamps, the gatherings were field-pressed in newsprint and plastic bags, then soaked with 70% ethanol for subsequent processing in Lae (Fig. 15). Silica-dried samples for DNA sequencing were also obtained if specialists had placed earlier requests for assistance.

In Appendix 1, the survey specimens have been tabulated together with earlier numbers from the ultrabasics at Buso and Kui.<sup>7</sup> The ultrabasic boundary extends southeast from Kui village, passing immediately inland from Braunschweig Harbor at Siboma (Simpoma). Specimens from Kui are appended with a (K) on the checklist, to indicate when the material is from the ultrabasic boundary and may have been obtained from non-serpentine terrain. Natter Bay and Paiewa represent Tertiary substrates of different age and origin from the Bowutu ultrabasics (Dow & Davies 1964), and are thus omitted from the compilations.

The Paiewa drainage is intersected by an extensive network of logging tracks along which a few collections were made under the NGF series (e.g. *Gillison* NGF 22489–22500, 25011–25049). Some of the upstream areas at Paiewa are inside the ultrabasic belt, but the locality data are too ambiguous to determine the substrate status of such collections. Jacobs's numbers from 'opposite

<sup>7</sup> Author citations for binomials are provided in the text for names which are not in the appendix.





FIG. 13. Bulili Ridge. Survey team in ultrabasic forest.





FIG. 14. The Kamiali Science Center facilities at Kulindi, on the beachfront of Nasau Bay. Natural-growth ultrabasic forest is immediately adjacent to the compound. A substantial number of undescribed taxa have been discovered in the general area.

Lasanga Island', are similarly difficult to interpret with respect to their substrate association.

Much of the methodology and rationale for the Kamiali surveys have been discussed elsewhere (Takeuchi 2003a). As with many recent efforts, the itinerary was implemented by village teams involving institutional parataxonomists D. Ama, Nathan, and/or A. Towati, or as a larger workforce supervised by colleague B. Siga and the writer.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE VEGETATION

The physiognomy of the KWMA lowland flora is similar to a montane forest, with a preponderance of small-leaved species and a general absence of vining, cauliflorous, or compound-leaved plants (Fig. 16). Plank-buttressed trees are rare. To some extent, these characteristics are due to the anomalous presence of higher-elevation species in lowland habitats. Many sealevel distributional records were documented by the recent surveys (e.g. see discussion on *Astronidium morobense*).

The KWMA regrowth phase (between sealevel to at least ca. 500 m elev.) is dominated by *Commersonia bartramia*, *Decaspermum bracteatum*, *Dicranopteris*



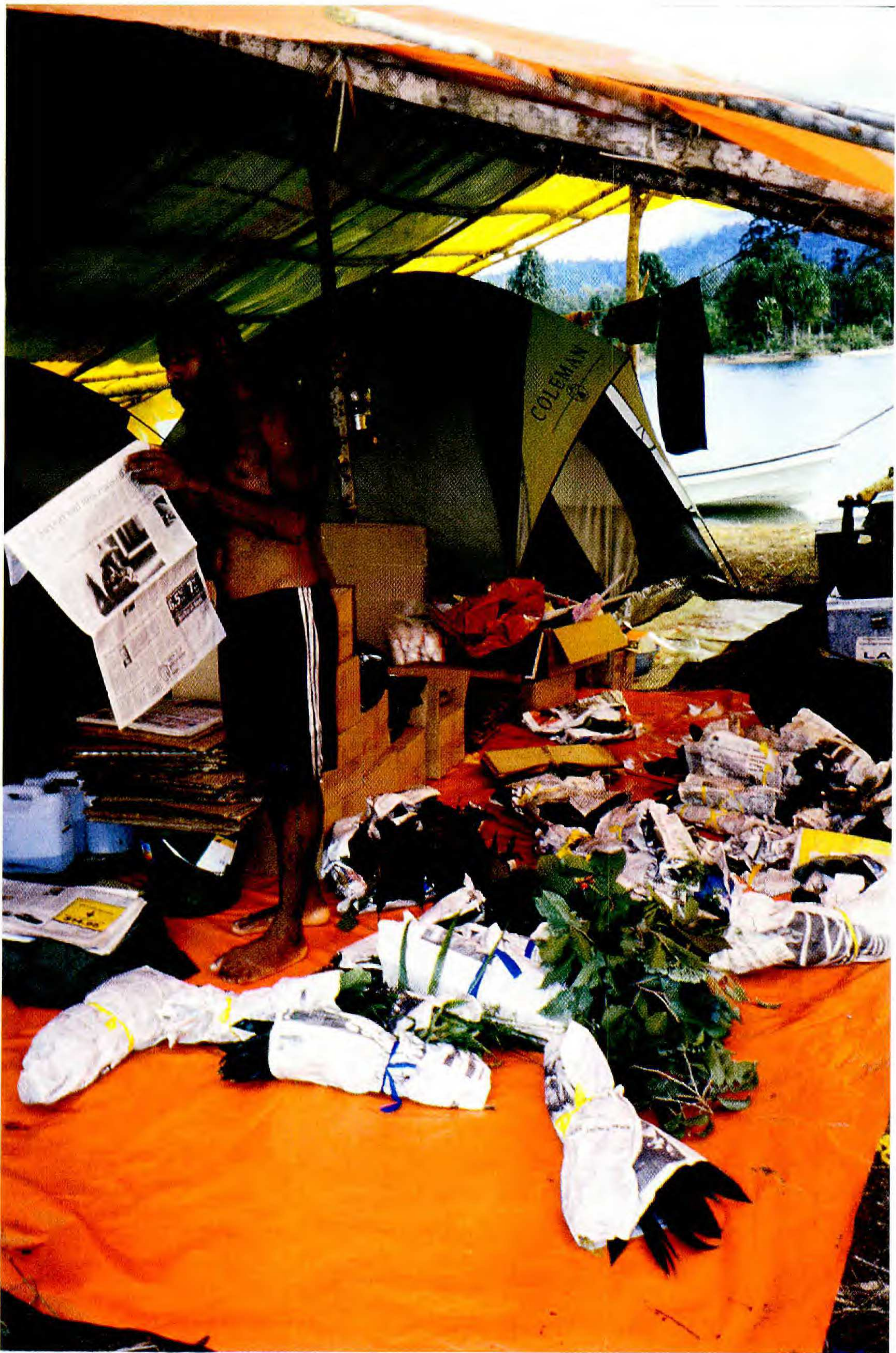


FIG. 15. Processing of plant specimens in the field. Gatherings are individually wrapped in newsprint to protect the collections during the trek back to basecamp, where they are then packed in ethanol.



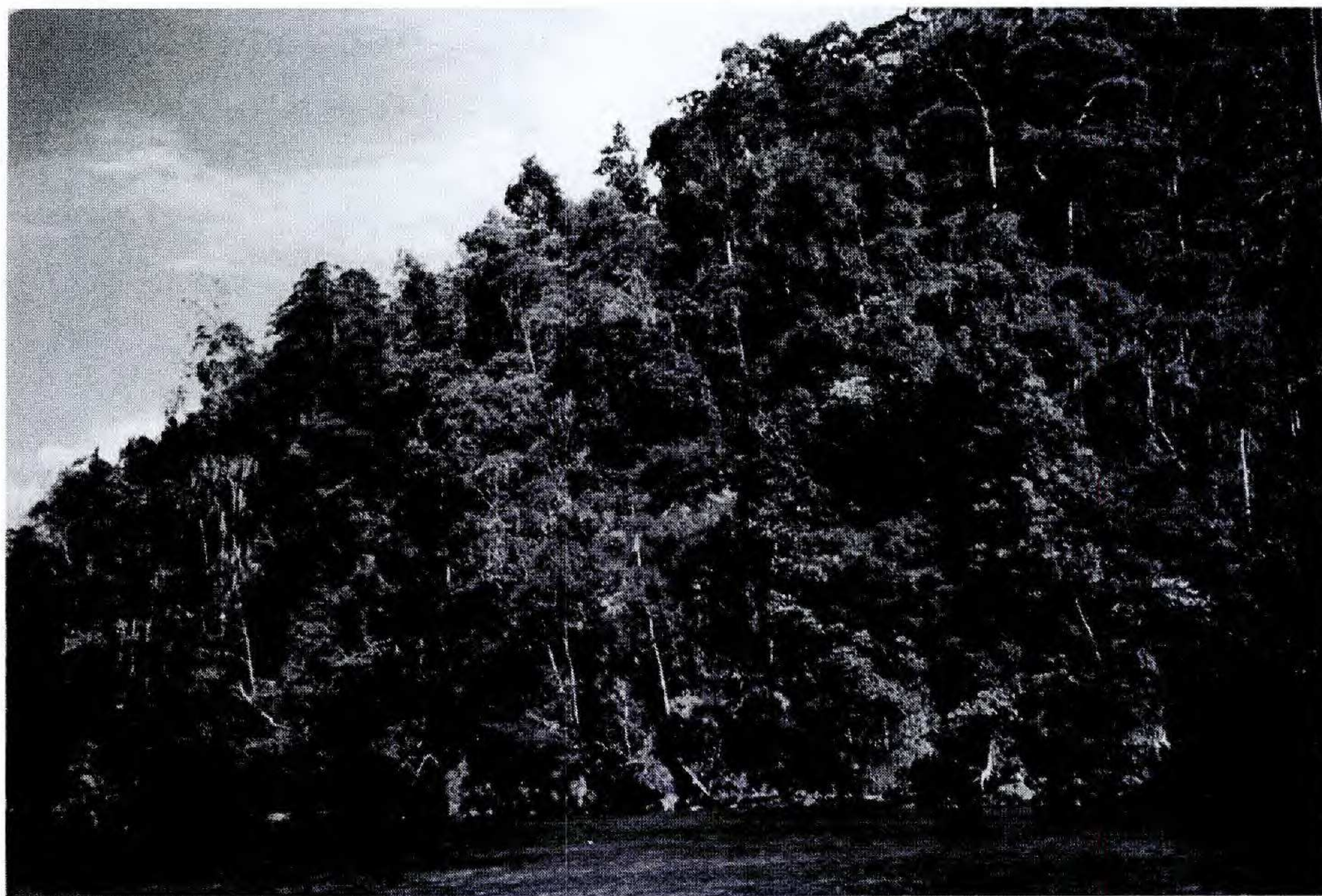


FIG. 16. The Bulili ultrabasic forest extends to the highwater line on Nasau Bay.

*linearis*, *Myrtella beccarii*, *Schuermansia henningsii*, and *Timonius paiawensis*. Many of the seral or pioneer taxa normally found in Mamose environments are absent or uncommon.<sup>8</sup> *Cyathea*, *Cypholophus*, *Dendrocnide*, *Endospermum*, *Glochidion*, *Gouania*, *Leea*, *Macaranga* (except for *M. bifoveata*), *Mallotus*, *Musa*, *Mussaenda*, *Omalanthus*, *Pipturus*, and *Trichospermum* are conspicuously missing or are insignificant in the floristic succession on ultrabasics (Fig. 17). Even the aggressive weed *Piper aduncum* rarely manages to establish in seemingly opportune situations. Similar patterns have been noted in the Raja Ampat serpentine district of Irian Jaya (Takeuchi 2003b).

Within the lowland ultrabasic flora as a whole, a number of ordinarily speciose families are clearly under-represented. The impoverished groups include Araceae, Begoniaceae, Combretaceae, Dilleniaceae, Gesneriaceae, Malvaceae (sens. str.), Marantaceae, Moraceae, Urticaceae, Verbenaceae, and Vitaceae. The representation by ferns and their allies is also poor in comparison to regular substrates at comparable levels of rainfall.

<sup>8</sup>Mamose is the administrative region in northern PNG consisting of *Madang*, *Morobe*, and the *Sepik* provinces. The name is an acronym formed by the first two letters of the provinces, and is also rendered as 'Momase', by the same procedure. Although 'Mamose' is universally understood within PNG, its use is virtually unknown outside the country. There is a certain utility in its usage, because the word refers by coincidence to a part of PNG defined by tectonic and biotic similarities, and thus represents a discrete evolutionary environment.





FIG. 17. Fire succession in the former burn area shown in figure 6. After 4 years, the regrowth consists mainly of *Macaranga bifeveata* (shrubs in photo) and *Machaerina glomerata*. Other colonizers are *Trema cannabina* and *Commersonia bartramia*.



In addition to the impoverished groups, floristic depauperation is further evidenced by the absence of several families which should be present in lowland environments of northern PNG. The families which were not seen included Commelinaceae (notably *Amischotolype* and *Pollia*), Cycadaceae, Dichapetalaceae, Hernandiaceae, Opiliaceae, Ruscaceae (*Dracaena angustifolia* Roxb.), and Tetramelaceae (*Octomeles sumatrana* Miq.). In contrast, Euphorbiaceae, Myrtaceae, and Rubiaceae (except for *Ophiorrhiza* and *Mussaenda*) are exceptionally common. Other families represented by large numbers of individuals are Burseraceae, Clusiaceae, Cyperaceae, Meliaceae, Myristicaceae, Myrsinaceae, and Pandanaceae. However there is an obvious general reduction in floristic diversity, as evidenced by the low species counts relative to other New Guinea environments. The PABITRA transect investigations are currently providing quantitative data for defining these patterns (Sengo in prep.).

One direct consequence of low alpha diversity in KWMA habitats is the disproportionate presence of a small group of plants. Certain taxa are nearly everywhere in the lowland ultrabasic forest. Among understory shrubs and subshrubs, these 'weedy' elements include *Casearia* aff. *erythrocarpa* (sp. ?nov.), *Conandrium polyanthum*, *Fittingia tubiflora*, *Geniostoma rupestre*, *Ixora* sp. (sp. A on checklist), and *Syzygium trivene* sens. str. The understory fern *Lindsaea obtusa* is the most ubiquitous pteridophyte. *Anisoptera thurifera* ssp. *polyandra*, *Hopea glabrifolia*, *Myristica chrysophylla*, *Syzygium furfuraceum*, and *Tristaniaopsis macrosperma* are similarly abundant in tall-growth canopy. *Gymnostoma papuana* (exposed ridges and riverbanks) and *Stenocarpus moorei* (streambanks and landslips) often form locally monodominant stands in repetitively disturbed habitats. The subcanopy and middle layers in hill forest below 500 m are dominated particularly by *Brackenridgea forbesii*, *Canarium* spp., *Garcinia* spp., *Gordonia papuana*, *Gymnacranthera farquhariana* var. *zippeliana*, *Haplolobus floribundus*, *Polyosma* cf. *forbesii*, and *Syzygium effusum* sens. lat.

The KWMA lowland vegetation is thus characterized by a limited number of very common species. The disharmonic nature of the flora is similar to insular environments from more isolated stations within the Pacific, and the prevailing patterns are reversed to some extent only in the coastal and alluvial flats bordering the major waterways. In such locations, some of the missing taxonomic elements reappear, presumably due to a reduction in soil toxicity. Alluvial substrates in the KWMA have acidity values to pH 4, unlike the ultrabasic substrates on ridges (Bein, pers. comm. March 2000). There are thus two general floristic associations within the lowland KWMA: 1) a macrophyllous, liane-rich community characteristic of riverine/swampy environments, and 2) a highly disharmonic ultrabasic flora of contrasting generic composition and with some of the attributes of a montane vegetation.

Although *Alyxia acuminata* sens. lat., *Freycinetia* spp., *Hugonia jenkinsii*,



and *Psychotria olivacea* are moderately common in ultrabasic forest, climbing taxa are generally notable by their absence or rarity. Apocynaceae (Asclepiadoideae), *Calamus*, Convolvulaceae (with the exception of *Erycibe*), *Dichapetalum*, *Flagellaria*, *Gouania*, Lomariopsidaceae, *Mucuna*, *Stenochlaena*, *Tecomanthe*, *Uncaria*, and all Vitaceae, are often absent or rare even from open streamcourses and other edge environments where such taxa are ordinarily prevalent. Understories are also remarkably clear, and physical passage through the forest is decidedly easier than with most lowland communities.

On the current forest mapping system for PNG (Hammermaster & Saunders 1995a, b) the Bowutu ultrabasic vegetation is primarily classified as a small-crowned lowland hill forest (code Hs, *ibid.*), reflecting the overall stunting of the serpentine canopies. KWMA ultrabasic stands are easily detected in aerial photos because of their depauperate appearance, changing only at the transition to regular substrates, where the canopy develops larger, medium-sized crowns (code Hm, e.g. at the Kui ecotone).

In contrast to ultrabasic communities, the alluvial habitats are primarily seral environments, often *Gymnostoma*-dominant and subject to seasonal flooding. These riverine successional areas are generally restricted to the coastal floodplains where the KWMA's clear-flowing streams emerge onto the lowlands (see Hammermaster & Saunders 1995b: Salamaua SB 55-15 overlay). In other low-lying sections near the coast, like the beachfront opposite Lababia Island, the presence of poorly drained flatland is associated with *Metroxylon*-monodominant swamps (Wsw; *ibid.*). The coastline vegetation also includes scattered seagrass shallows (*Enhalus acoroides*), *Bruguiera-Rhizophora* mangroves, and tidal estuarine forest (Fig. 18), but the areas encompassed by such communities are below the resolution of existing vegetation maps.

## DESCRIPTIONS OF NEW SPECIES

### RUBIACEAE

***Psychotria bulilimontis*** Takeuchi, sp. nov. (**Figs. 19–21**). TYPE: PAPUA NEW GUINEA. MOROBE PROVINCE: Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, lower slopes of Bulili Mt, multistoried ultrabasic forest, 07° 18.5' S, 147° 07.5' E, 20 m, 6 Oct 2002 (fl, fr), W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16428 (HOLOTYPE: LAE!; ISOTYPES: A, BISH, BO, BRIT, CANB, K, L, MO, NSW, US).

Species haec ab aliis congeneribus papuanen inflorescentiis lateralibus fructibus globosisque rhachidi inflorescentiarum teretibus statim distinguitur.

**Understory shrub** 3–4 m in height, erect, often polelike, sparingly or moderately branched, outer bark thin, dark gray, smooth. **Branchlets** terete, slightly compressed at the top, subapical diam. 2–3(–4) mm, spreading, weak, surfaces green in the leaf-bearing intervals, furfuraceous at the stipular scars, otherwise glabrous, internodes (1–)2–6 cm long. **Leaves** diverging in one plane, glabrous; blades fleshy or subcoriaceous, without domatia or cystoliths, adaxially dark





FIG. 18. *Bruguiera-Rhizophora* mangrove forest at Hessen Bay, KWMA.





FIG. 19. *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *bulilimontis* in the ultrabasic forest on Bulili Ridge. White arrow: stem base of the type individual.





FIG. 20. *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *bulilimontis*. The type gathering (W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16428).





FIG. 21. *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *bulilimontis*. Closer view of the fruit and cymules (W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16428).



green, abaxially mid-green, bifacially olivaceous after drying, linear-elliptic, (7-)12-21 by (1.5-)3.5-6.5 cm, apex gradually acuminate, margins entire, base cuneate, equal; venation pinnate, secondaries 7-12 pairs, (7-)10-22 mm apart, at the lamina center diverging 55-70° from the midrib, arcuate, brochidodromous, tertiary nervation areolate, all venation plane or weakly raised on upper surfaces, prominulous beneath; petiole 8-20 by 1.0-2.0 mm, adaxially channelled or flattened, rounded beneath; stipules valvate, linear-acuminate, to 15 by 4 mm, brownish-green, caducous, adaxially furfuraceous at the base, otherwise glabrous, apex bifid, the arms 3-4 mm long, filiform. **Inflorescence** axillary from the subapical and lower nodes, glabrous, lax, paniculiform, ultimately cymose, the primary branches opposed or 3-verticillate, all axes spreading, light green, delicate (0.5-1.0 mm wide); peduncle (10-)50-85 mm long, primary branches to 25 mm long; peduncular bracts caducous; rachis bracts persisting at the branching points, acuminate, 1-3 mm long; floral bracts triangular, minute. **Flowers** (measurements from spirit-preserved material) tetramerous, glabrous on exterior surfaces, 5.0 mm long, sessile; calyx infundibular, 2.7 by 1.8 mm, limb dentate, teeth ca. 0.2 mm long, erect at anthesis; corolla sympetalous, valvate, white, tube 2 mm long, pilose in a 1 mm wide band at the mouth, lobes ovate, 2.0-2.5 by 1.8 mm, apex acute; stamens alternipetalous, erect, glabrous, anthers exserted, oblongoid, ca. 0.8 mm long, basifixed, introrse, filaments very short, attached at the sinus; gynoecium glabrous, ovary globular, recessed at the summit, style included, ca. 0.6-0.7 mm long, stigma lobes ca. 0.5 mm long, coherent. **Fruits** shiny orange-red when ripe, juicy, subglobose, 5 mm diam. *in vivo*, crowned by the calycine residue; pyrenes 2, pale yellow-brown, 2-3-ridged on the back, inside farinaceous, no ruminations.

*Distribution and ecology.*—*Psychotria bulilimontis* is known only from lowland environments within the Kamiali Wildlife Management Area. The nominate variety is restricted to the ultrabasics.

*Etymology.*—The epithet commemorates the type locality.

PARATYPE: **PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Morobe Province:** Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, lower slopes of Bulili Mt, multistoried ultrabasic forest, 07° 18.5' S, 147° 07.5' E, 20 m, 25 Aug 2002 (fl, fr), W. Takeuchi, D. Ama, B. Siga, & Nathan 16416 (A, L, LAE!).

Axilliflorous *Psychotria* are rare in New Guinea. Only *P. axilliflora* Merr. & Perry and *P. dipteropoda* Laut. & K. Sch. are known to flower from subapical nodes. The new species is easily distinguished from its axilliflorous congeners by the globose fruits (fusiform and compressed in *P. axilliflora*) and by the delicate, terete axes of the inflorescence (conspicuously flattened and broad in *P. dipteropoda*).

***Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *aestuarii*** Takeuchi, var. nov. (**Figs. 22–23**). TYPE: PAPUA NEW GUINEA. MOROBE PROVINCE: Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, banks of the Saia River near Hessen Bay, alluvial-estuarine forest, 07° 21.6' S, 147° 07.3' E,



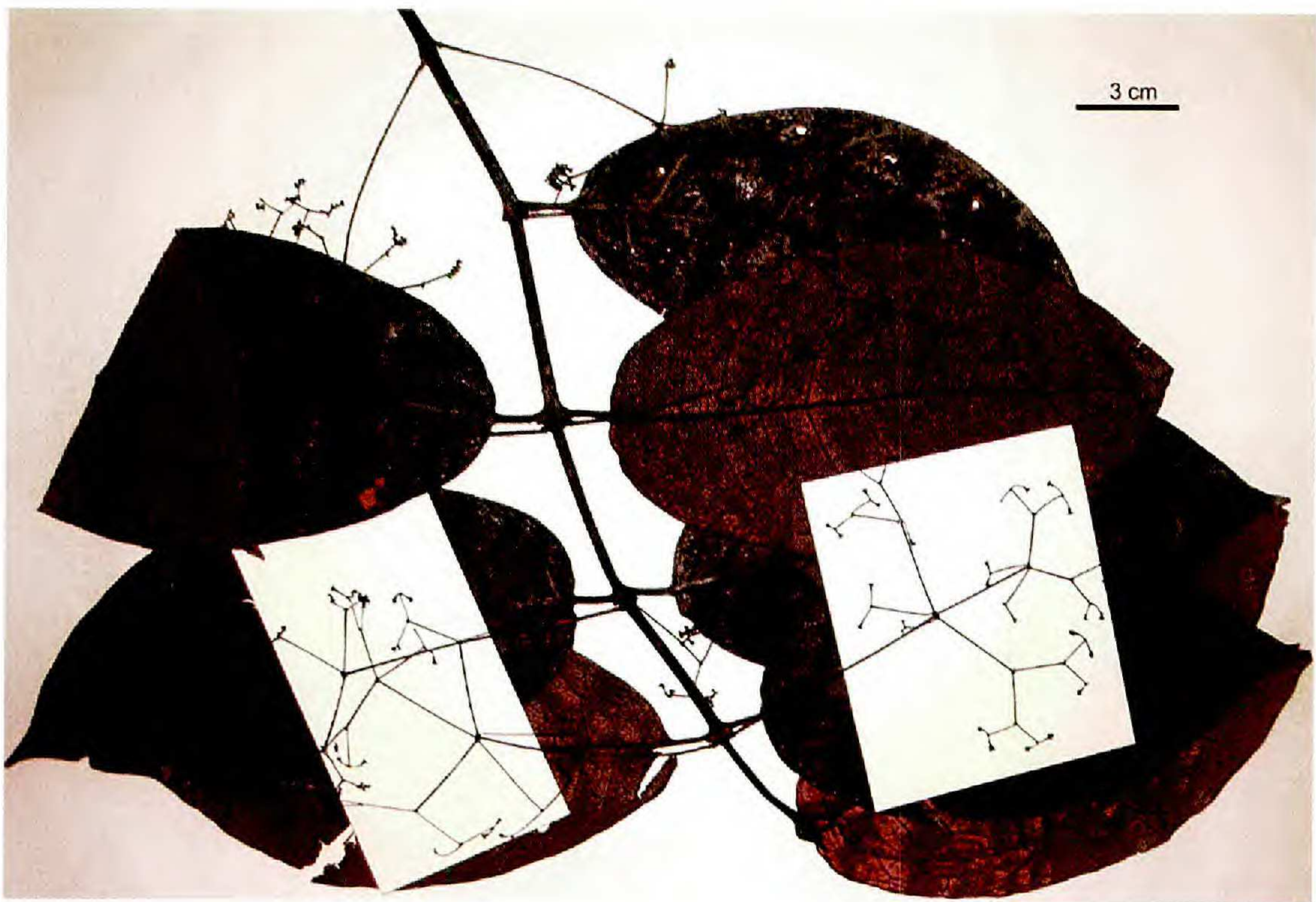


FIG. 22. *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *aestuarii*. An unmounted duplicate from the type gathering. The delicate, umbelliform inflorescence is characteristic (W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 14993).



FIG. 23. Hessen Bay. Estuarine forest habitat of the type population for *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *aestuarii*.



5–10 m, 15 Jan 2001 (fl), W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 14993 (HOLOTYPE: LAE!; ISOTYPES: A, BISH, BO, CANB, K, L, MO, US).

Ab var. *bulilimonti* laminis latioribus ad bases rotundatis vel cordatis, indumento denso denique inflorescentiis umbelliformibus praeclare distinguitur.

**Understory shrub** 1–2(–4) m in height, erect, sparingly or moderately branched. **Branchlets** obliquely ascending, weakly compressed near the summit, terete below, subapical diam. 2–4 mm, hirtellous, hairs persisting, internodes (2–)4–7(–11) cm long. **Leaves** distichous, spreading; lamina usually fleshy, adaxially dark dull green, abaxially pale green or brownish-green, discolorous after drying, turning black or fuscous above and rufous-brown beneath, upper surfaces glabrous, marked by linear cystoliths or not, lower surfaces hirtellous, hairs orange- or reddish-brown, densest on midribs and veins, domatia absent; blades variable, narrowly to broadly elliptic, ovate, or obovate, (9–)13–23 by (3–)6–11 cm, apex acuminate, margins entire, base subcordate, rounded, (or cuneate); venation pinnate, secondaries 10–12 pairs, (7–)15–20(–28) mm apart, at the lamina center diverging (35–)50–70° from the midrib, arcuate, more or less brochidodromous but reticulating freely beyond the commissural loops, tertiary nervation conspicuously and coarsely areolate, all venation plane or impressed on upper surfaces, prominulous beneath; petiole 5–20 by 1.5–2.0 mm, adaxially channelled or flattened, rounded beneath, indument like the branchlets; stipules valvate, caducous, lanceolate-ovate, to 15 by 5 mm, apex bifurcately divided into 3–4 mm long filiform caudae, exterior surfaces coarsely hairy, inside furfuraceous-barbate along the base, otherwise glabrous. **Inflorescence** axillary from the subapical and lower nodes, umbelliform or paniculiform, the ramifications verticillately branched for 1–3 orders, ultimately cymose, all axes spreading, lax, hirtellous, delicate (0.5–1 mm wide), dull light green; peduncle (10–)35–95 mm long, primary rays to 31 mm long, secondary rays to 16 mm long; peduncular bracts caducous, linear-acuminate, to 3.0 by 0.5 mm; rachis bracts subpersisting at the branching points, acuminate, ca. 1 mm long; bracteoles triangular, ca. 0.5 mm. **Flowers** (measurements from spirit-preserved material) tetramerous, 5.0 mm long, sessile; calyx tubular, 2.0 by 1.5 mm, puberulent, limb dentate, teeth reflexed at anthesis; corolla sympetalous, valvate, white, outer surfaces glabrous, tube 1–2 mm long, mouth pilose, lobes oblong, 2.6–2.7 by 1.2–1.3 mm, apex obtuse or acute; stamens alternipetalous, erect, glabrous, anthers oblongoid, ca. 0.5 mm long, basifixed, introrse, filaments very short, attached at the sinus; gynoecium glabrous, ovary recessed at the summit, style exserted, ca. 4.5 mm long, stigma conspicuously bilobed. **Fruits** immature, globose.

*Distribution and ecology.*—Known only from coastal forests in the Kamiali Wildlife Management Area.

*Etymology.*—The varietal name reflects the estuarine forest habitat of the type population.



PARATYPES: **PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Morobe Province:** Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, banks of the Saia River near Hessen Bay, alluvial-estuarine forest, 07° 21.6' S, 147° 07.3' E, 5–10 m, 15 Jan 2001 (fl), W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 14990 (A, L, LAE!); ditto, W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 14995 (A, BO, K, L, LAE!, MO); ditto, W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 15002 (A, BISH, BO, CANB, K, L, LAE!, MO, US).

Variety *aestuarii* is clearly referable to *Psychotria bulilimontis*. The lax and delicate inflorescence from lowermost axils is very distinctive and characteristic of the species. However unlike the nominate variety, the alluvial plants are very hairy shrubs with broad leaves and a pronounced tendency for umbelliform branching on the inflorescence. In contrast, the ultrabasic populations (var. *bulilimontis*) are essentially glabrous, with narrow leaves gradually tapered at both ends, and a more paniculiform inflorescence. Both varieties have heterostylous flowers.

### SALICACEAE

**Trichadenia sasae** Takeuchi, sp. nov. (**Figs. 24–27**). TYPE: PAPUA NEW GUINEA. MOROBE PROVINCE: Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, base of Bulili Ridge at Kulindi, ultrabasic forest, 07° 18' S, 147° 08' E, 0–5 m, 4 Feb 2003 (fr), W. Takeuchi, D. Ama & B. Siga 16561 (HOLOTYPE: LAE!; ISOTYPES: A, BO, CANB, K, L).

Species haec ab aliis congeneribus laminis cordatis usque ad 31.5 cm longisque 27.0 cm latis, dense velutinis fructibus magnis 4 cm diametris perfacile recognoscitur.

**Canopy tree** 25 m tall, unbuttressed, highly branched, outer bark gray, thick, rough-textured, slash orange-brown, without exudate, sapwood pale yellow. **Branchlets** terete, 12–15 mm in diam. below the leaf spray; indument subpersisting, orange-brown velutinous, usually with a monolayer of erect septate hairs, sometimes also with an underlayer of crispate hairs; periderm dark gray, longitudinally fissured; abscission scars conspicuous, patelliform, 4–10 by 7–12 mm. **Leaves** spirally congested in apical tufts, spreading; blades coriaceous, bichromatic *in vivo*, adaxially dark green, abaxially yellowish-green, olivaceous *in sicco*, the mature laminae manifestly cordate, 22.5–31.5 by 20.5–27.0 cm, apex obtuse, (emarginate, or mucronate), margins entire or irregularly repand, depth of basal sinus (2.0–)2.5–4.0(–5.5) cm; upper surfaces pilosulous on veins, glabrescent between, lower surfaces velutinous; venation plinerval-palmatifid at the petiole, pinnate above the base, craspedromous, secondaries 5–8, (15–)30–70(–85) mm apart, at the lamina center diverging (45–)50–55(–60)° from the midrib, straight (or arcuate), sometimes sparingly anastomosing before the margin, tertiary nerves scalariform, reticulum conspicuously and bifacially areolate, adaxially impressed, all venation prominent below; petioles strictly cylindrical, 5–10 cm by 2.5–4.0 mm on apical leaves, progressively longer on lower leaves (to 18 cm by 5.0 mm), swollen at both ends, geniculate, indument like the branchlets; stipules caducous, subulate, 7–12 mm long, densely hairy. **Flowers** unknown. **Infructescence** solitary from axils of attached leaves, densely velutinous; peduncle ca. 10 mm long, rachis terete, 10–20 by 3–7 mm, unbranched;





FIG. 24. *Trichadenia sasae*. Crown form of the type individual (W. Takeuchi, D. Ama & B. Siga 16561).

bracts linear-acuminate, 1.5–2.0 mm long, caducous; pedicels 1.5–3.0 by 5–6 mm, articulated at the rachis. **Fruits** indehiscent, pendulous, globose, 40–43 by 38–43 mm, bilobed or obscurely trigonous, (38–47 by 46–55 mm), epicarp pale grayish-brown through all stages of maturation, lenticellate, laxly hirtellous (glabrous to naked eye), surface scrape bright green, no exudate, pericarp thin (ca. 1 mm), crustaceous, entire *in vivo*, usually collapsing and coarsely rugose after drying; mesocarp at first straw-pale brown, later yellow and baccate, ripe pulp fleshy, no odor; seeds 1–3, endosperm copious, white, turning pink after sectioning.

*Distribution and ecology.*—*Trichadenia sasae* is known with certainty only from the closed-canopy forest bordering Nasau Bay. All confirmed sightings have occurred on the ultrabasics.

*Etymology.*—The new species is named after colleague Sasa Zibe-Kokino, a professional forester and prominent conservation advocate, currently serving as the Member of Parliament for Huon electorate.

PARATYPE: **PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Morobe Province:** Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, base of Bulili Ridge at Kulindi Science Center, ultrabasic forest, 07° 18' S, 147° 08' E, 0–5 m, 25 Nov 2001 (fr), W. Takeuchi, D. Ama & B. Siga 15589 (A, BO, CANB, L, LAE!, MO, US).

The genus *Trichadenia* was previously represented in the Malesian region only by the widely distributed *T. philippinensis* Merr. A second species (*T. zeylanica*





FIG. 25. As for figure 24, looking into the crown from below.



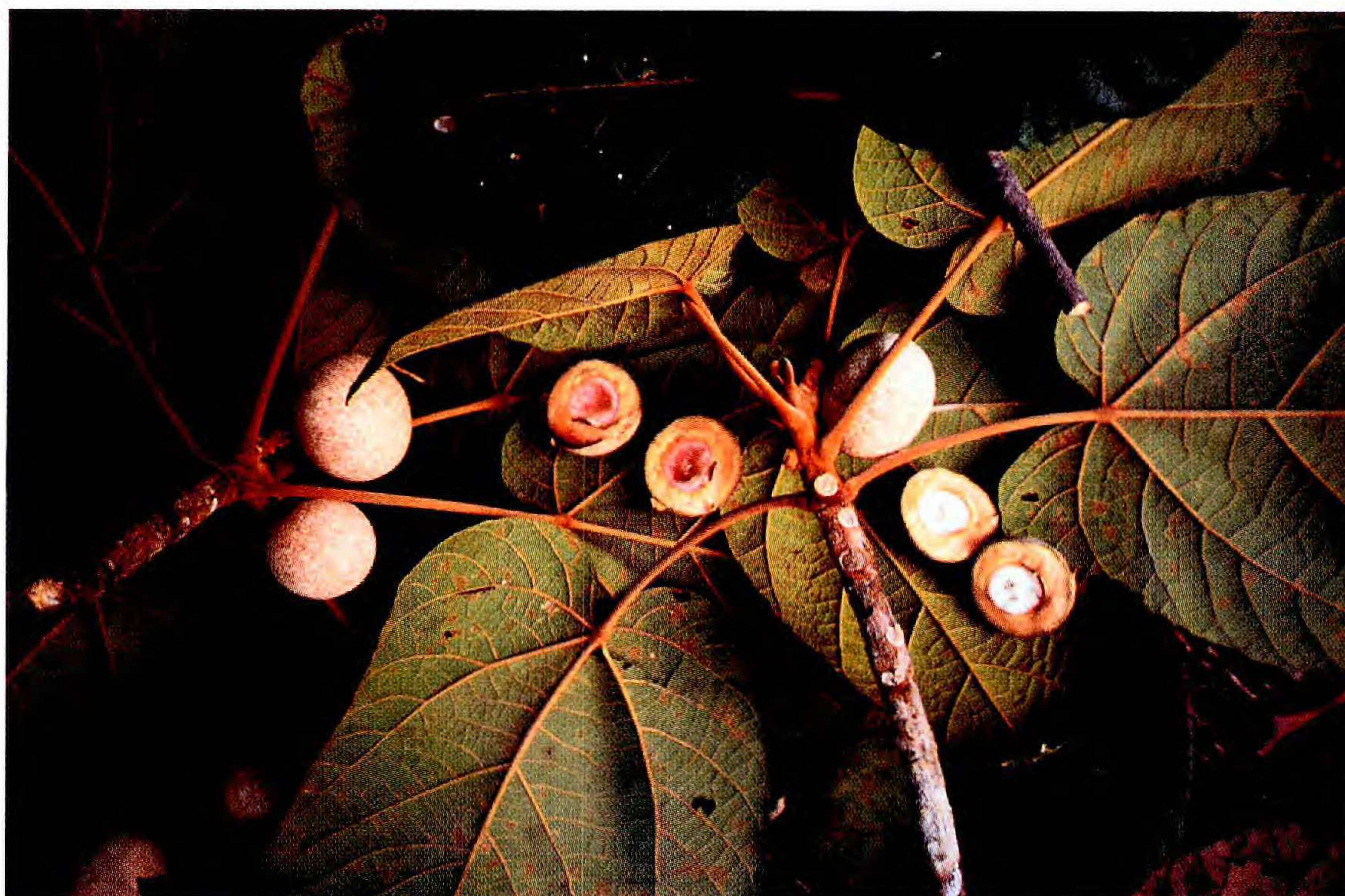


FIG. 26. *Trichadenia sasae*. Detached branchlets from the type gathering.



FIG. 27. *Trichadenia sasae*. Parataxonomist Demas Ama holds a fruiting branchlet against the bole.



Thwait.) is endemic to Ceylon (Sleumer 1954). The new *Trichadenia* is easily recognized by its large cordate leaves, dense indument, and large fruits.

The field appearance of *T. sasae* is similar to the *Sterculia amplamacrophylla* complex and is thus almost impossible to identify from a distance. The type tree was for several years misidentified as a *Sterculia* due to the gross similarities in habit. There are apparently several individuals of this species along the Bulili coast but few have been seen in fertile condition. The species is not common within the KWMA.

#### NOTES ON OTHER TAXA

##### CONVOLVULACEAE

**Erycibe** spp.—*Erycibe* is generally an uncommon genus in PNG. When last treated by Hoogland (1953a, b) and Oostroom (1953, 1955), most taxa were known from only a small number of specimens. The current species concepts are ill-defined, in part due to the former scarcity of materials for study and by what appears to have been an excessive splitting of the variation. As is generally true of canopy lianes with brightly colored fruits and inconspicuous flowers, most of the modern gatherings consist of fruiting material which are less useful than flowering ones. The genus is greatly in need of revision.

In contrast to most PNG localities, *Erycibe* is well represented within KWMA alluvial habitats, but all existing specimens are in fruit and cannot be keyed out. While many Morobe collections are apparently conspecific with the KWMA species, none of the sheets has been reliably identified and the assigned names seem to have been taken up by successive collectors in uncritical fashion. The KWMA *Erycibe* are neither rare or new, but the difficulties involved in their identification are symptomatic of a greater problem with the genus as a whole.

##### CYPERACEAE

**Cladium mariscus** (L.) Pohl sens. lat.—A cosmopolitan species, but rare in New Guinea and not previously recorded for PNG (Hay 1984). LAE has no recent accessions from New Guinea other than the survey voucher.

##### FABACEAE

**Maniltoa** sp. (Verdcourt sp. E)—The only *Maniltoa* recorded in the ultrabasic lowlands is apparently an undescribed taxon closely related to *Maniltoa schefferi* K. Sch. & Hollrung. On Verdcourt's (1979) alphabet list of novelties, the KWMA plants are referable to species E, distinguished by sessile ovaries and fruits. *Maniltoa* E is very common within the hill forest and consistently maintains its separate character. There are no transitional forms to *M. schefferi*. The KWMA *Maniltoa* is apparently restricted to the serpentine zone and is arguably best regarded as a subspecies. In other characters, species E is so similar to *M. schefferi* that it would be inappropriate to establish a new species on just one differentiating trait.



**LECYTHIDACEAE**

**Barringtonia** spp.—At least five species of *Barringtonia* have been documented on the ultrabasics (*B. apiculata*, *B. asiatica*, *B. lumina*, *B. pinifolia*, and *B. racemosa*; see Jebb 1991). KWMA *Barringtonia* are partitioned by habitat into two groups, with *B. asiatica* and *B. racemosa* occurring mainly along the coast, and the remaining species ranging into the upper drainages and interior hill forest. *Barringtonia pinifolia* is particularly common within alluvial communities near the base of the main range. In comparison, the distinctive *B. lumina* was seen only a few times along the Saia River and is apparently rare.

*Barringtonia* is widely employed as a fish poison in lowland New Guinea (ibid.; Payens 1967; Peekel 1984) but Kamiali villagers apparently use only *Derris trifoliata* ('rop dynamit') for fishing. This situation is certainly not due to a lack of availability, since *Barringtonia* spp. are present in large, easily-accessed populations around the main village and fishing camps. Some respondents claim that *Derris* is more effective on the reefs than *Barringtonia*, but this assessment is not universal. Although the use of plant poisons for fishing is a well-established practice in Kamiali society, it has been traditionally discouraged except in special circumstances (Martin 1998, 1999). The growing frequency of reef bombing and *Derris* 'dynamiting', are manifestations of the changes occurring within Kela society, and of the declining influence of customary observances.

**MALVACEAE**

**Sterculia** sp. nov., aff. **ampla-macrophylla** group

**Sterculia** sp. ?nov., aff. **shillinglawii** F.v.M.

The KWMA has two possible novelties in *Sterculia*.

Tantra (1976: 75–6) regarded Jacobs 9639 from the Buso-Kui foothills as a new species in the *ampla-macrophylla-morobeensis* group, but formal description was deferred pending acquisition of more complete material. No new collections have been made since the initial gathering in 1973. A series of numbers from the current survey also cannot be identified with Tantra's conspectus (ibid.), and may represent another undescribed species.

**MELASTOMATACEAE**

**Astronidium morobiense** Maxw. (**Figs. 28–29**).—The species was previously known only from mossy fagaceous forest between 1350–1800 m near Wagau (Maxwell & Veldkamp 1990). However recent determinations (ex S.S. Renner, pers. comm. March 2003) indicate that the species is distributed southwards along the Morobe coast as far as Natter Bay, with occurrences in both ultrabasic and non-serpentine habitats.

In marked contrast to the environment specified in its protologue, the KWMA populations of *A. morobiense* are found primarily at low elevations. On Bulili Ridge, the species is even found at sealevel, immediately behind the highwater line and in forest occasionally subject to saltwater damage. Between





FIG. 28. *Astronidium morobiense*, in the sealevel ultrabasic forest near Kulindi, KWMA.



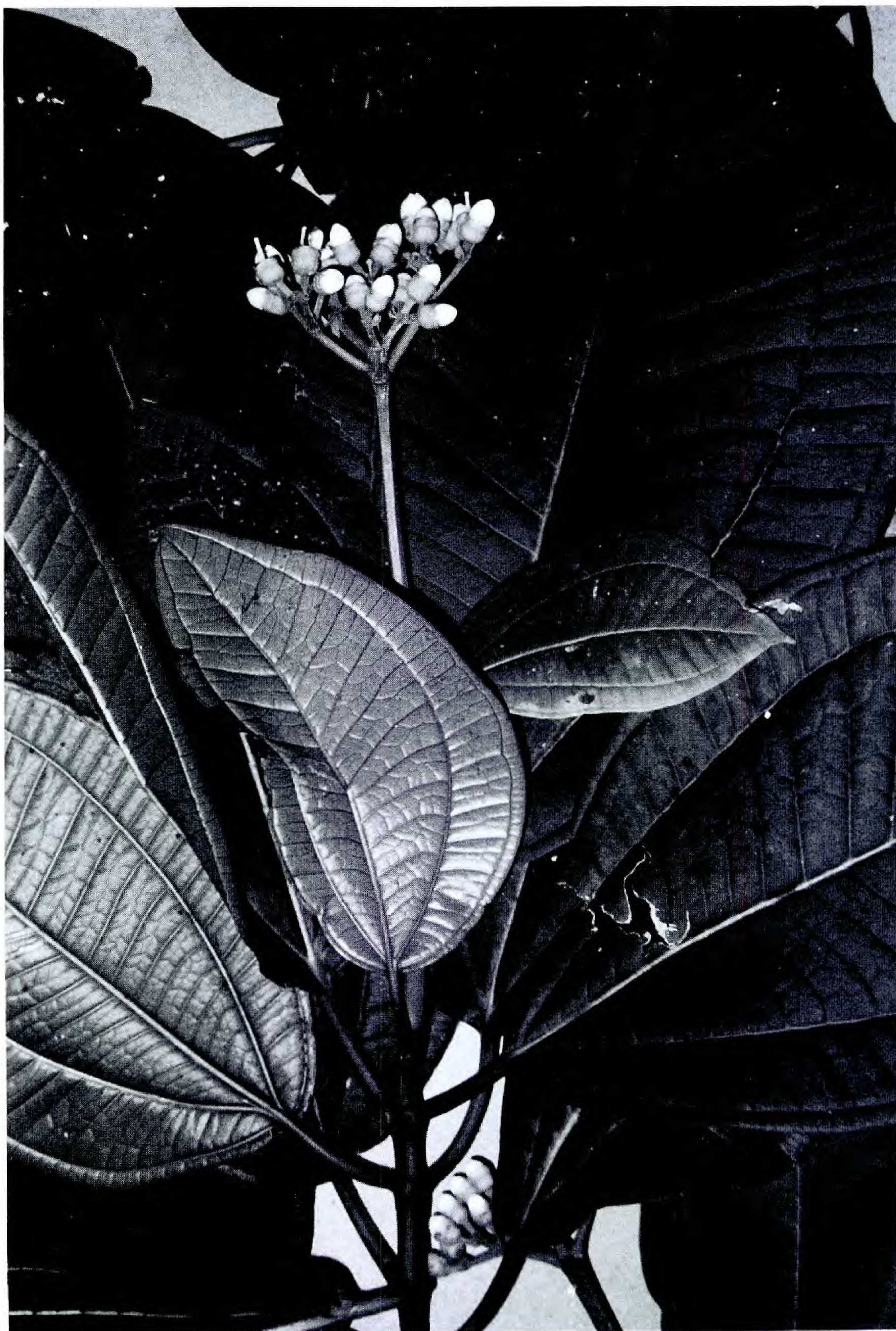


FIG. 29. As for figure 28, showing the inflorescence (*W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16223*).



Lokanu-Tambu Bay and Kui village (Fig. 5), the only remaining hill forest is on the headlands bordering Sachsen and Hessen Bays (e.g. Cape Dinga and Cape Roon). The communities in or near these areas often have taxa at their lowest elevations of record (e.g. *Astronidium morobiense*, *Bhesa archboldiana*, *Gnetum costatum*, *Hunga papuana*, *Lophopetalum torricellense*, *Mackinlaya schlechteri*, *Nastus schlechteri*, *Ormosia calavensis*, *Paphia*, *Psychotria archboldii*, and *Syzygium richardsonianum*).

### MYRSINACEAE

**Fittingia urceolata** Mez and **F. tubiflora** Mez (**Figs. 30–31**).—These obviously related species are sympatric and vegetatively indistinguishable. *Fittingia urceolata* is noticeably more frequent on the ultrabasic substrates than its congener, but the two often occur side by side outside the serpentine (e.g. the foothills at Paiewa). The only distinction between the species is in the color of the drupes (red for *F. tubiflora* and white for *F. urceolata*; Sleumer 1988).

Sleumer (ibid.) suggested the apparent difference in fruit color might not be an adequate basis for discrimination between the species, although he accepted the separation in his revision. Field observations from the recent surveys show that the color contrasts are indeed consistent and effective discriminators. In *F. tubiflora* the red color is evident even in the ovary of the anthetic flower (label data for 14429) and is preserved as the fruit develops through a marble-like phase and eventually into the spongy-textured drupe from which the generic name is derived. Whether or not a species pair should be upheld on the basis of a single contrasting character is a matter of subjective judgment, but the color distinction is certainly not some transient feature related to fruit maturation—i.e. white fruits do not ripen into red fruits or vice versa. It may be more appropriate to relegate the taxa to varietal rank, but in any event, there is a readily detectable difference in living material.<sup>9</sup>

### MYRTACEAE

**Syzygium trivene** (Ridley) Merr. & Perry and **S. lorentzianum** Laut.—*Syzygium lorentzianum* was known to Hartley and Perry (1973) only from the type. The species is supposedly distinguished from *S. trivene* by slight differences in leaf form and by the longer flower buds (ibid.: 177).

Within the KWMA, *S. trivene* sens. str. is one of the most common subarborescent taxa of riverine understories and interior forest. From examination of the survey's many numbers, it is evident that the characters separating this species from *S. lorentzianum* are part of an intergrading series of variation. In general, *S. lorentzianum* is the name of a robust form growing in exposed areas (e.g. along streambanks) while *S. trivene* is the spare variant of closed

<sup>9</sup>Most of the survey duplicates were distributed indicating a synonymy between the names (i.e. as *F. tubiflora* = *F. urceolata*).





FIG. 30. *Fittingia urceolata*. The pericarp is hyaline green in the immature fruit, but turns opaquely white with ripening (W. Takeuchi, A. Towati, B. Siga, & M. Kavua 16172).





FIG. 31. *Fittingia tubiflora*. In contrast to the congener, fruits are red from the start of their development (there is no green phase). The initially hard pericarp becomes spongy-textured and somewhat juicy when ripe (W. Takeuchi, B. Siga, & A. Towati 14991).



forest. The distinctions appear environmentally determined and thus undeserving of formal recognition. *Syzygium trivene* should be regarded as a synonym of *S. lorentzianum*, since the latter has the older epithet.

## POACEAE

**Nastus schlechteri** (Pilger) Holtt., or aff.—The condensed panicles and aristate basal glumes are distinctive. Apparently known only from the type (*Schlechter* 19720), which was not seen by Holttum (1967) and presumably lost at Berlin.

The KWMA collections are from atypically low elevations for the genus, having been obtained from ca. 100 m, but the vouchers otherwise conform to Holttum's species description and the key (*ibid.*).

## RUBIACEAE

**Psychotria archboldii** Sohmer, **P. mayana** Takeuchi, **P. melanocarpa** Merr. & Perry—Indument and fruit color are the principal means for separating these taxa. *Psychotria archboldii* is entirely glabrous on all parts, while *P. mayana* and *P. melanocarpa* have stelliform hairs. Although *P. archboldii* has red fruits, the drupes are white in *P. mayana* and black in *P. melanocarpa*. The three species are apparently geographically separated. Only *P. archboldii* var. *archboldii* has an appreciable distribution, occurring from Morobe to Milne Bay and off-shore islands (var. *multinervia* is known by a single collection from Gulf Province), while *P. mayana* and *P. melanocarpa* have been found only in Madang and Western Provinces, respectively. Apart from these distinctions, the plants are obviously related and can be plausibly regarded either as sibling species, or as geographically separate subspecies. Herbarium specimens from the *archboldii-mayana-melanocarpa* complex are visually striking, with bright orange-brown or rufous leaves. The large fruits are invariably jet black on exsiccatae, irrespective of the coloration *in vivo*.

In *P. archboldii* as a whole, there is considerable doubt about the fruit color, a character widely employed by Sohmer (1988) as a basis for species separations among the Papuasian congeners. Although variety *archboldii* is recorded as having red fruits, the KWMA populations of this variety were collected with white drupes. The fruits of *P. archboldii* var. *multinervia* are also supposedly white, according to the label for the only existing specimen (though the variety was formally described as having red fruits).

The discrepancies could be explained if *P. archboldii* has distinct color phases with the fruit maturing from white to red, or less plausibly from red to white. However such color changes have never been substantiated for any Papuasian *Psychotria*. If fruit color has no significance in this species complex, the present separations should be dismantled and recognition given only to geographic subspecies or races.

**Psychotria croftiana** Sohmer—*Psychotria croftiana* is a large-leaved species pre-



viously known from three fruiting collections on the Huon coast (Sohmer 1988). It is a common and conspicuous shrub in the ultrabasic forest but also occurs on the nonserpentine substrates southeast of Buso. The distinctively papillate-hairy flowers were unknown until the recent surveys. A supplementary description of the flowering plant can be provided from the new material:

**Inflorescence** paniculate, pyramidal, exceeding the leaves at anthesis, to 37 by 29 cm, all axes glabrous; peduncle 7–13 cm long, first order branches 3–4-verticillate, to 17 cm long; rachis bracts acuminate, 2–6 mm long, abruptly subulate at the apex, subpersisting, abaxially glabrous, adaxially furfuraceous at the base; floral bracts inconspicuous, linear or linear-acuminate, ca. 0.5 mm long; pedicels 1–2 mm long; cymes lax. **Flowers** (measurements from rehydrated material) 5(–6)-merous, 2.5 by 3.5 mm at anthesis; calyx infundibular (shallowly cupular when dry), parted about half way to the base, lobes triangular, equal, ca. 0.5 mm long; corolla white, obovoid in bud, tube 1.7 by 1.8 mm, glabrous on all exterior surfaces, mouth not clearly barbate, lobes adaxially papillate-hairy, acute, 1.0 by 1.2 mm, reflexed at maturity; stamens alternipetalous, anthers erect, oblongoid, 0.6–0.7 mm long, filaments short, inserted about half way down the tube; gynoecium glabrous, ovary dome-shaped, recessed at the top, style 0.7 mm long, stigma 0.3 mm long, slightly expanded, columnar, 5–6-sulcate, not or only weakly exerted.

Specimens examined: **PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Morobe Province:** Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, lower slopes of Bulili Mt, ultrabasic forest, 07° 18.5' S, 147° 07.5' E, 40 m, 6 Oct 2002 (fl), W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16430B (A, BO, CANB, K, L, LAE!, MO, US); base of Lababia Ridge, ultrabasic forest, 07° 16' S, 147° 06' E, 75 m, Oct 2002 (fl), W. Takeuchi & D. Ama 16578 (A, LAE!).

**Psychotria waiuensis** Sohmer—*Psychotria kamialii* Takeuchi, Edinburgh J. Bot. 58:159–161. 2001. TYPE: PAPUA NEW GUINEA. MOROBE PROVINCE: Kamiali Wildlife Management Area, 1.5 km W of Lababia Village, 07° 17' S, 147° 06' E, 5–10 m, 14 Nov 1999, W. Takeuchi & J. Sengo 14310 (HOLOTYPE: LAE; ISOTYPE: K).

Current fieldwork indicates that the recently described *Psychotria kamialii* must unfortunately be regarded as a synonym of *P. waiuensis*. As the most obvious point of distinction from its closest congeners, the monocaulous habit of *P. kamialii* was the principal character used to establish that species. Because of an emphasis on architectural form, the equivalence to *P. waiuensis* was overlooked. There are several points which can be made in relation to the synonymy.

First, it is very unlikely that *P. waiuensis* is a 10 feet (3 m) tall shrub as indicated in the diagnosis. *Psychotria waiuensis* is not rare, and every plant seen during the recent surveys were monocaulous dwarfs occurring as helophytes in shallow mud or standing water. In this respect the plant is similar to the higher elevation forms of *P. ramadecumbens* Sohmer. The type gathering for *P. kamialii* for example, was a colony sample from sago swamp, taken from separate 0.5 m individuals. The KWMA populations have never been seen growing on firm ground as medium-sized branching shrubs. Although *P. waiuensis* is described



as 'about 3 m' (Sohmer 1988) this figure is probably a label error. It is more plausible that the first collections at Waiu Bay (Braunschweig Harbor on most maps) were also monocaulous subshrubs, as suggested by the fact that the earlier sheets show no indication of branching. Most of the bayfront at Waiu is a coastal swamp similar to the type locality for *P. kamialii*, so a general stunting of woody plants would also be expected at the earlier collection site. Because the actual habit of this swamp species was not appreciated, Sohmer's (1988) key will go astray at fork 107, where there is a couplet separation between monocaulous and branching shrubs. *Psychotria waiuensis* will actually key out to *P. inconspicua* Merr. & Perry, as happened during the initial evaluation of *P. kamialii*.

As presently known, *P. waiuensis* occurs only between Kamiali and Waiu, an area consisting mainly of ultrabasics. However future collectors will probably find this species further south along the coastline, since the swampy forests which the plant inhabits are not restricted to serpentine. Judging from its current habitats, *P. waiuensis* may be present in the coastal wetlands near the Morobe-Waria Rivers, where extensive areas of comparable environment can be found.

Coastal swamps are such disagreeable places that it is easy to understand why only one collection existed of *P. waiuensis* prior to the recent surveys, even though the species is moderately common. The presence of saltwater crocodiles (*Crocodilus porosus*) and swarms of mosquitos are disincentives to loitering in these shoreline areas. The most promising strategy for collectors is to work the ecotone along the margins of the swamps, rather than their interior parts. If the putative differences between *P. waiuensis* and *P. kamialii* are derived from substrate conditions, different growth forms should be found at the contact between swamp and dry land.

### SALICACEAE

**Homalium d'entrecasteauxense** Craven—Formerly known only by the type collection from Normanby Island (Craven 1979). In the survey vouchers, stamens are consistently arranged in 3-membered fascicles. Branchlets are puberulent.

Steenis (1982) expressed doubt over the number of new species recognized by Craven (1979), and of their distinction from the variable *H. foetidum* (Roxb.) Benth. The taxonomic issues are still unresolved because of the limited number of specimens available for study (7 out of the 10 Papuan species are known only from the types). Multiple collections showing the variation within individual populations are much needed.

The new gatherings from the KWMA suggest that staminal number is an effective criterion for splitting *H. d'entrecasteauxense* from the *foetidum* complex. This separation is corroborated in the field by differences in stature and habit. The Kamiali specimens of *H. d'entrecasteauxense* were taken from frail,



4 m tall understory shrubs, but *H. foetidum* is ordinarily a robust timber-sized tree. The survey specimens also confirm the differences in indument between *H. d'entrecasteauxense* and *H. maneauense* Craven (see modified key in Steenis 1982: 564).

### THELYPTERIDACEAE

***Plesioneuron croftii*** Holtt.—Formerly known in the literature only by the type collection from Natter Bay, but now also represented by newer material from the Waria basin and Buso.

*Plesioneuron croftii* is similar to *P. dryas* Holtt., differing primarily in the color of the aerophores (dark in *P. dryas* and pale in *P. croftii*; see Holttum 1981). The recent collections are closest to *P. croftii* but have dark aerophores, and seem to combine characteristics of that species and its congener. Although the position of the sori near costules is of some value in the identification of *P. croftii* (ibid: 399), the distinction is small and inconstant, and probably unworthy of specific rank.

### DISCUSSION

Whether or not floristic patterns discerned in the KWMA are of general application to other floras is unknown, especially as the ultrabasic patterns are difficult to separate from those applying to the Papuan Peninsula as a whole. Although the distribution of ultrabasic substrates can be extracted from the geological literature, information on the associated vegetation is sparse and unsubstantiated. There are no checklists or forest descriptions of representative formations anywhere in PNG. The patterns found at Kamiali may be unique to the Bowutu communities, but at least within the KWMA, the lowland serpentine has been sampled to very high intensities, and is presently one of the better known lowland floras in New Guinea. Approximately 1,915 specimens have been compiled from a lowland area of 215 sq km, for a collections density (CD) of 890 collections per 100 sq. km.<sup>10</sup> The current checklist includes 130 families, 412 genera, and ca. 710 morphospecies. Most of the lowland taxa from the Kamiali area have probably been recorded. In view of the general depauperation of serpentine floras, the species counts primarily reflect the sampling saturation achieved by the surveys, rather than any special richness of the serpentine plant life. At Josephstaal for example, an inventory of lowland rainforest below 400 m recorded a total of 139 families, 445 genera, and 730 morphospecies (Takeuchi 2000), an outcome very similar to the Bowutu study. However the

<sup>10</sup>Stevens (1989) notes that the current benchmark of 50–100 collections per 100 sq km does not necessarily represent a well-collected locality. The Bowutu inventory demonstrates that even at much higher sampling intensities, unknown taxa will escape detection. Once an adequate baseline has been established for a specific flora, further progress will be dependent on how additional collections are distributed through space and time, rather than the mere acquisition of more material.



Josephstaal assessment involved only one month of survey work, while the ultrabasic itinerary was much more intensive, consisting of repeated fieldtrips over a period of four years.

The results at Kamiali have been constrained by the surveys' strict and deliberate focus on the lowland zone below 500 m. On Mt Kinabalu, the speciose character of the vegetation has been attributed primarily to the presence of ultrabasic outcrops in the montane elevations (Beaman & Beaman 1990). Species counts in the KWMA are likely to increase considerably when investigations are extended into the higher habitats where most of the diversity in New Guinea environments are probably concentrated. A substantial number of Bowutu taxa have already been typified from NGF collections made at Lake Trist (elev. 1800 m), mainly by Henty in 1966 (NGF 29004–29138). Many of these montane serpentine records are still known only from the original collection, a situation similar to the Kinabalu ultrabasics (ibid.). Existing evidence suggests that a fair number of species remain undiscovered. Unlike Mt Kinabalu however, the KWMA lowland ultrabasics have relatively few species, which for the most part are already well-represented in collections from Buso, Kamiali, and Kui. The recent high-intensity surveys have started to reveal the presence of rarer endemics such as *Discocalyx kaoyae*, *Paphia megaphylla*, and *Trichadenia sasae*. *Mammea papyracea* (NGF 39414), *Pouteria gillisonii* Vink (NGF 25627), and *P. pullenii* Vink (NGF 25625), known only from their types, are also probably rare plants from the ultrabasics (cf. Stevens 1995; Vink 2002).

Despite the extensive work done by earlier botanists at Buso and Kui, the lowland ultrabasics are still a fruitful venue for new material. Even supposedly well-collected localities can be a source of floristic discovery when exploration routes are slightly altered from the previously-used tracks (Stevens 1989). The recent discoveries are a case in point. Papuan collectors often retrace the field itineraries of previous investigators due to the convenience of following well-used trails. Yet because plant distributions are typically very patchy across seemingly homogeneous or comparable habitats (Oatham & Beehler 1998), slight changes in exploration schedules can be immensely productive. In the KWMA, adjacent ridges often have very different compositions and species frequencies even across the same geological substrates (Sengo in prep.).

Some idea of the conspicuous contrasts in plant distributions and frequencies can be seen when comparing the collections from Buso and Kamiali. For example, *Kairothamnus phyllanthoides* and *Plesioneuron croftii* are common at the former locality, but have not yet been recorded from immediately adjacent Kamiali habitats. Conversely, although *Psychotria bulilimontis* and *Timonius* sp. ?nov. are plentiful in the KWMA hill forest, they have yet to be collected at Buso. Distributional peculiarities are further exemplified by plants that are essentially restricted to the ultrabasics, having high frequencies inside



the KWMA, but which are also known from one or two collections on normal substrates elsewhere on the Papuan Peninsula (e.g. *Astronidium morobeense*, *Guioa grandifoliola*, *Hunga papuana*, and *Zanthoxylum novoguineense*).

Patchiness of the plant distributions on ultrabasics occurs over a range of spatial scales. At one end, are the localized differences reported by Oatham and Beehler (1998) at Lakekamu. These may be due to the dynamic fragmentation of the forest caused by disturbances such as storms and changes in streamcourse. On a larger scale, plant distributions can vary markedly along different ridges or rivers, even though there are no obvious habitat factors separating the occurrences (Frodin 1990; Grubb & Stevens 1985; Kalkman & Vink 1970). The different levels of patchiness have obvious implications for floristic exploration. Perfunctory surveys will probably miss many of the most significant plants, particularly those with quirky distributions. These difficulties are compounded by unpredictable phenologies and the resulting element of chance in the results achieved by surveyors.

Within the Bowutu tract, taxa endemic to the ultrabasic belt include *Calophyllum streimannii*,<sup>11</sup> *Discocalyx kaoyae*, *Freycinetia curvata*, *F. kamialiensis*, *F. mediana*, *F. rubripedata*, *Kairothamnus phyllanthoides*, *Myristica filipes*, *Paphia megaphylla*, *Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *bulilimontis*, and *Solanum symonianum*. The percentage of strict endemics in the local flora is small compared to more extreme environments (e.g. the Waigeo ultrabasics in Irian Jaya, where rainfalls are much lower than in the KWMA; cf. Takeuchi 2003b). Humid conditions appear to reduce the intensity of effects from serpentine substrates. An inverse relationship between rainfall and the severity of the serpentine syndrome has been noted for other areas (e.g. Kruckeberg 1985).

An overwhelming majority of the KWMA species occur on both sides of a serpentine contact, although there are apparent differences in relative frequencies when passing across such boundaries. The floristic contrasts are primarily ones of degree rather than quality. With so many lowland areas being altered by anthropogenic development, the natural distributions of many native species will become difficult to determine in the future. This will complicate comparative studies on PNG's ultrabasic ecosystems. Most of the coastal habitats south of Kamiali are now fragmented by logging damage, and the real range of plants comprising the Papuan Peninsular flora is increasingly obscured by forest destruction.

In view of the general connection between serpentine effects and rainfall, the growing incidence of El Niño-associated droughts is likely to result in future floristic change which will amplify existing patterns. As rainfalls are reduced, ultrabasic effects should increase, and floristic distinctions across the substrate contact at Kui will become more acute. This is likely to be accompanied by a

<sup>11</sup>But *C. streimannii* may be present in Western Province (see Stevens 1995).



sharper physiognomic discontinuity at the contact (i.e. a more obvious reduction in tree statures and crown densities across the boundary). Floristic attenuation can be expected to involve mainly the generalist species that lack serpentine-coping mechanisms. Since many of these plants (e.g. *Canarium*) are used by Kamiali villagers, a reduction in forest ethnobotanical values is probable. Future changes in beta-diversity patterns can also be anticipated in the montane parts of the ultrabasic belt. The KWMA's mossy forests above 500 m were severely affected by the recent El Niño episodes of 1997–98 and 2002. Repeated droughts could result in a lifting of the ecotone and an associated degradation of watershed services.

#### APPENDIX 1. LOWLAND PLANTS RECORDED FROM KAMIALI

Voucher source for occurrence record: LAE = collections from the Lae Herbarium institutional (new) series; NGF = collections from the New Guinea Force series; nv = non visus, specimen not found at LAE but cited in the literature and/or entered in LAE logbooks; sn = sin numéro (without number); SR = sight record; numbers without prefix = W. Takeuchi et al. (usually with D. Ama, B. Siga, and/or A. Towati). Other collectors indicated by name.

The checklist is a compilation of collections (below ca. 500 m) from the ultrabasic zone between Kamiali and Kui. Specimens from the present survey have been determined by WT unless otherwise noted. Determinations to earlier collections are based on annotations from published revisions or from specialist tickets on herbarium sheets.

### FERNS AND FERN ALLIES

#### ADIANTACEAE

*Acrostichum speciosum* Willd.; 14896  
*Adiantum hollandiae* v.A.v.R.; 15228  
*Pityrogramma calomelanos* (L.) Link; 15062  
*Syngamma borneensis* (Hook.) J. Smith; 14468  
*Syngamma grandis* (Copel.) C. Chr.; LAE 52303 (nv); NGF 45222  
*Taenitis blechnoides* (Willd.) Sw.; 14642, 14659; Kog 30; NGF 44261; Palis 27

#### ASPLENIACEAE

*Asplenium laserpitiifolium* Lam.; 14722, 14840, 14915, 14917  
*Asplenium* cf. *musifolium* Mett.; 14705  
*Asplenium nidus* L. var. *nidus*; 14702; Unkau 96  
*Asplenium phyllitidis* Don ssp. *malesicum* Holttum; NGF 45123, 45124; Palis 30

#### ATHYRIACEAE

*Callipteris prolifera* (Lam.) Bory; 15242  
*Diplazium cordifolium* Bl.; NGF 45175

*Diplazium esculentum* (Retz.) Sw.; 15251

#### BLECHNACEAE

*Blechnum orientale* L.; 14613  
*Blechnum vittatum* Brack.; 14815, ?14973, 15059, 15102  
*Stenochlaena milnei* Underw.; SR, Tabali riverbanks

#### CYATHEACEAE

*Cyathea macgillivrayi* (Bak.) Domin; 15036, 15356  
*Cyathea wernerii* Ros.; 14881  
*Cyathea* sp., subsection *Sarcopholis*; 15205

#### DAVALLIACEAE

*Davallia heterophylla* Sm.; 14615B, 15390; NGF 24493  
*Davallia parvula* Hook. & Grev.; 14391  
*Davallia pectinata* Sm.; 14411, 14538  
*Davallia repens* (L.f.) Kuhn; 15215  
*Davallia solida* (G. Forst.) Sw. var. *solida*; 14358, 14539, 14686, 15225



**DENNSTAEDTIACEAE**

*Hypolepis tenuifolia* (Forst. f.) Bernh. ex Presl; 15067  
*Pteridium aquilinum* (L.) Kuhn; 15060

**DRYOPTERIDACEAE**

*Dryopolystichum phaeostigma* (Cesati) Copel.; 14554, 14646, 14685, 14878; Manseima 19; Palis 19

**GLEICHENIACEAE**

*Dicranopteris linearis* (Burm. f.) Underw. var. *subferruginea* (Hieron.) Nakai; 14609, 15052

**GRAMMITIDACEAE**

*Ctenopteris blechnoides* (Grev.) Wagner & Grether; 14776, 14794, 15141, 15172, 15214; Conn et al. 208; NGF 45189; Palis 31

**HYMENOPHYLLACEAE**

*Hymenophyllum* sp. (*Mecodium*); 15231  
*Trichomanes* (*Cephalomanes*) *atrovirens* Kunze; 14895, 15183; Akia 17; Gawi 22; Ron 28  
*Trichomanes* (*Selenodesmium*) *obscurum* Bl.; 14674, 15185; Damas 1; Palis 29; Rau 288  
*Trichomanes* sp., *Nesopteris-Selenodesmium* group; 16619

**LINDSAEA GROUP**

*Lindsaea ensifolia* Sw. ssp. *agatii* (Brack.) Kramer; 14608, 15336  
*Lindsaea ensifolia* Sw. ssp. *ensifolia*; 15140  
*Lindsaea ensifolia* Sw. x ?*L. obtusa* J. Smith; 14880  
*Lindsaea gueriniana* (Gaud.) Desv.; 14326, 14668, 14789, 14842, 15352, 16433; Gawi 24  
*Lindsaea kingii* Copel.; 15226; NGF 39415  
*Lindsaea obtusa* J. Smith; 14319, 14390, 14407, 14649, 14669, 14690, 15174B, 15180, 15440; Gawi 23; NGF 45125  
*Lindsaea repens* (Bory) Thwaites var. *sessilis* (Copel.) Kramer; 15186; NGF 39420  
*Sphenomeris retusa* (Cav.) Maxon; 14996  
*Tapeinidium longipinnulum* (Ces.) C. Chr.; 15196; Gawi 27; NGF 45126, 45127

**LYCOPODIACEAE**

*Huperzia* cf. *carinata* (Poiret) Trevisan; 14716, 14932  
*Huperzia phlegmaria* (L.) Rothm.; 14710, 14843, 15211  
*Huperzia squarrosa* (Forst. f.) Trevisan; 14812  
*Palhinhaea cernua* (L.) Vasc. & Franco; 14643, 15051

**MARATTIACEAE**

*Marattia* sp., aff. ?*megaptera* Copel.; 15155, 15158, 16598

**OLEANDRACEAE**

*Nephrolepis falcata* (Cav.) C. Chr.; 14621  
*Nephrolepis hirsutula* (Forst.) Presl; 15232

**OPHIOGLOSSACEAE**

*Ophioglossum pendulum* L. f. *pendulum*; 14914; LAE 51690; NGF 45223

**PARKERIACEAE**

*Ceratopteris thalictroides* (L.) Brongn.; 15253

**POLYPODIACEAE**

*Drynaria rigidula* Bedd.; 14536  
*Drynaria sparsisora* (Desv.) T. Moore; 14657, 14950  
*Lecanopteris deparioides* (Ces.) Baker; 15223, 16635; NGF 45219  
*Lecanopteris sinuosa* (Wall. ex Hook.) Copel.; 14546, 15079; Bellamy B12; NGF 44206  
*Microsorium scolopendria* (Burm. f.) Copel.; 14360  
*Microsorium sibomense* Copel.; NGF 45182  
*Pyrrosia foveolata* (Alston) Morton var. *foveolata*; 15261

**PSILOTACEAE**

*Psilotum nudum* (L.) Beauv.; 14637

**PTERIDACEAE**

*Pteris blumeana* Agardh; 14684, 14717  
*Pteris tripartita* Sw.; 15061, 15073, 15077

**SCHIZAEACEAE**

*Lygodium microphyllum* (Cav.) R. Br.; 14610  
*Lygodium trifurcatum* Baker; 14406, 14563, 14758, 14836, 14844 (distr. as *L. dimorphum*)  
*Lygodium versteegii* Christ; 14323, 15103, 15182; Gawi 25; Kairo 752; NGF 44201  
*Schizaea dichotoma* (L.) Sm.; 15171; Jacobs 9545; Kog 27; Kwangut 33; NGF 47773  
*Schizaea digitata* (L.) Sw.; 14324, 15006; NGF 39417  
*Schizaea wagneri* Selling; NGF 45170

**SELAGINELLACEAE**

*Selaginella* cf. *schlechteri* Hieron.; 14409  
*Selaginella* cf. *suffruticosa* v. A. v. R.; Palis 32  
*Selaginella* sp., aff. ?*melanisica* Kuhn; 14809  
*Selaginella* sp. (possibly: *latifolia*, *puberulipes*, or *suffruticosa*); 15195  
*Selaginella* sp.; Akia 18



**TECTARIA GROUP**

*Tectaria bamleriana* (Rosenst.) C. Chr.; SR, Bulili; NGF 45220  
*Tectaria durvillei* (Bory) Holttum; NGF 22884 (K, nv)  
*Tectaria* sp., aff. ?*cristovalensis* (C. Chr.) Alston; NGF 22884 (K)

**THELYPTERIDACEAE**

*Plesioneuron croftii* Holttum; Conn et al. 177; Manseima 26 (?23, two nos. given on label)  
*Pneumatopteris sogerensis* (Gepp) Holttum; 15267  
*Sphaerostephanos multiauriculatus* (Copel.) Holttum; 15270  
*Sphaerostephanos* sp., aff. *novoguineensis* (Brause) Ros.; 14753, 14961, 15010, 15107

**VITTARIACEAE**

*Antrophyum* sp., *callifolium* Bl. facies; SR, Lababia  
*Monogramma* sens. lat., closest to *Vaginularia trichoidea* Fee; Kwangut 37  
*Vittaria angustifolia* Bl.; 15391; Unkau 98  
*Vittaria elongata* Sw. var. *angustifolia* (Bory) Thw.; 15216  
*Vittaria elongata* Sw. var. *elongata*; Manseima 20  
*Vittaria* cf. *scolopendrina* (Bory) Thw.; 14775

**GYMNOSPERMS**

**GNETACEAE**

*Gnetum costatum* K. Sch.; 14320, 14765, 14965, 15415, 15420, 15577, 16579, 16586; Conn et al. 296; NGF 25677  
*Gnetum gnemon* L. var. *gnemon*; 14739, 14741, 14764, 14783, 16562; LAE 68531  
*Gnetum latifolium* Bl. var. *latifolium*; 14952

**PODOCARPACEAE**

*Podocarpus neriifolius* D. Don; 14330, 15086, 15110; NGF 28082A (K)

**MONOCOTS**

**AMARYLLIDACEAE**

*Crinum asiaticum* L.; SR, Tabali riverbanks

**ARACEAE**

*Colocasia esculenta* (L.) Schott; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Cyrtosperma macrotum* Becc. ex Engl.; NGF 45172  
*Holochlamys beccarii* Engl.; NGF 25681  
*Scindapsus* sp.; 14638, 15080

*Spathiphyllum schlechteri* (Engl. & Krause) Nicolson; 15157, 16595; Conn et al. 205, 217, 237; LAE 51676; NGF 45149; Vinas & Kairo 311, 312, 314, 317

*Xanthosoma sagittifolia* (L.) Schott; SR, cult. Lababia

**ARECACEAE**

*Areca cathecu* L.; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Calamus hollrungii* Becc.; SR, Saia River  
*Calamus* sp., aff. *brevifolius* Becc.; 14956; NGF 24479 (nv)  
*Calamus* spp.; 14426; Jacobs 9561, 9698; NGF 24469  
*Calyptrocalyx* sp., aff. ?*stenochista* Burret; 14398  
*Calyptrocalyx* sp.; Kjaer AB511  
*Caryota rumphiana* Mart.; SR, Kulindi  
*Cocos nucifera* L.; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Cyrtostachys glauca* H.E. Moore; NGF 24460  
*Cyrtostachys* sp.; Kjaer AB 512  
*Heterospathe* cf. *muelleriana* (Becc.) Becc.; Kjaer AB 513  
*Hydriastele microspadix* Becc.; 14547, 15043, 15142; LAE 52052; NGF 24427, 24477  
*Livistona* sp. nov.; Kjaer AB 514; NGF 24466, 25682  
*Metroxylon sagu* Rottb.; SR, Tabali River  
*Nypa fruticans* Wurmb; SR, Tabali River  
*Orania lauterbachiana* Becc.; NGF 24435, 24480  
*Orania* sp.; Kjaer AB 515

**BROMELIACEAE**

*Ananas comosus* (L.) Merr.; SR, cult. Lababia

**CYPERACEAE**

*Cladium mariscus* (L.) Pohl sens. lat.; 14630  
*Cyperus pedunculatus* (R. Br.) Kern; LAE 52301  
*Cyperus rotundus* L. ssp. *retzii* (Nees) Kük.; 14974  
*Eleocharis geniculata* (L.) R. & S.; 14533B; LAE 52324; NGF 44152, 44203  
*Fimbristylis cymosa* R. Br.; 14531, 14533A  
*Gahnia aspera* (R. Br.) Spreng.; 14578, 15063  
*Hypoletrum nemorum* (Vahl) Spreng.; LAE 52340  
*Machaerina glomerata* (Gaud.) Koyama; 14443, 14790, 14805, 15337, 16569; LAE 72468; NGF 28098 (K), 39432  
*Machaerina mariscoides* (Gaud.) Kern; 14850, 16571; LAE 52327  
*Machaerina rubiginosa* (Spreng.) Koyama; 14629  
*Mapania baccifera* C.B. Clarke ssp. *baccifera*; 14573, 14658  
*Mapania macrocephala* (Gaud.) K. Sch.; 14396, 14818



*Mapania macrocephala* (Gaud.) K. Sch. ssp. *macrocephala*; 14791; Conn et al. 262; LAE 52290

*Paramapania parvibractea* (Clarke) Uittien; 14640, 14656, 15083, 15563, 16612

*Schoenus falcatus* R. Br.; 14624, 14762, 14849

*Schoenus laevinux* (Kük.) Ohwi; 14907

*Scleria ciliaris* Nees sens. lat.; 15122, 15441

*Scleria polycarpa* Boeck.; 14862

## DIOSCOREACEAE

*Dioscorea alata* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

*Dioscorea esculenta* (Lour.) Burk.; SR, cult. Lababia

*Dioscorea nummularia* Lamk.; 14346, 15070

## FLAGELLARIACEAE

*Flagellaria indica* L.; 14331, 14564, 14930

## HYDROCHARITACEAE

*Enhalus acoroides* (L.f.) Royle; Jacobs 9693; NGF 45190

## LAXMANNIACEAE

*Cordyline fruticosa* (L.) A. Chev.; 14457, 14732, 14826, 15044, 16439; NGF 24453

## MARANTACEAE

*Phacelophrynium* sp.; 14645 (distr. as *Phrynium* sp.), 16611

## MUSACEAE

*Musa* cultivars; SR, cult. Lababia

**ORCHIDACEAE** (Vogel et al. colls. det. by Vogel & Schuiteman; other colls. det. by Howcroft)

*Acriopsis javanica* Reinw. ex Bl. var. *javanica*; 14412, 15262; NGF 45194

*Acriopsis liliifolia* (J. König) Ormerod; Vogel et al. 20030827

*Agrostophyllum* spp.; 14601; Vogel et al. 20030853

*Apostasia wallichii* R.Br.; 14415, 14748, 15202; LAE 51677; Vogel et al. 20030793, 20030832

*Appendicula reflexa* Bl.; Vogel et al. 20030791

*Appendicula* spp.; 15229; Vogel et al. 20030789, 20030790

*Ascoglossum calopterum* (Rchb. f.) Schltr.; 16443

*Bromheadia finlaysoniana* (Lindl.) Miq.; 16568; Vogel et al. 20030831

*Bulbophyllum blumei* (Lindl.) J.J. Sm.; 15201

*Bulbophyllum gracillimum* (Rolfe) Rolfe; Vogel et al. 20030823, 20030837, 20030838

*Bulbophyllum* cf. *macranthum* Lindl.; 14594

*Bulbophyllum sessile* (Koen.) J.J. Sm.; Vogel et al. 20030818

*Bulbophyllum* sp., sect. *Aphanobulbum*; 15389

*Bulbophyllum* sp., sect. *Sestochilus*; Vogel et al. 20030807, 20030814, 20030817

*Bulbophyllum* spp.; 15392; LAE 52323; NGF 31624; Vogel et al. 20030808, 20030809, 20030810, 20030811, 20030812, 20030813, 20030815, 20030816, 20030817, 20030829, 20030836, 20030855

*Cadetia uniformis* (Bl.) Schltr.; NGF 45195 (det. Schuiteman); Vogel et al. 20030800

*Cadetia* sp./?spp.; 15213; NGF 45121 (no flowers)

*Ceratostylis* sp.; 14641

*Claderia* cf. *papuana* Schltr.; Vogel et al. 20030788

*Claderia* sp.; Vogel et al. 20030856

*Cleisostoma* spp.; Vogel et al. 20030850, 20030851

*Coelogyne asperata* Lindl.; 15154, 15219

*Coelogyne* cf. *fragrans* Schltr.; Vogel et al. 20030796

*Dendrobium austrocaledonicum* Schltr.; 15071

*Dendrobium bracteosum* Reichb.; SR, Saia River

*Dendrobium coeloglossum* Schltr.; Vogel et al. 20030804

*Dendrobium hosei* Ridl.; 15227; LAE 52310 (600 m elev.)

*Dendrobium lawesii* F.v.M.; LAE 52307, 52308, 52309 (600 m elev.)

*Dendrobium ?lineale* Rolfe; SR, Saia River

*Dendrobium macrophyllum* A. Rich; 14597, 14599; Vogel et al. 20030843, 20030845, 20030846

*Dendrobium spectabile* (Bl.) Miq.; 14603; LAE 52330; NGF 45191; Vogel et al. 20030822, 20030842

*Dendrobium viridiflorum* F.M. Bailey; Vogel et al. 20030840

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Amblyanthus*; NGF 45162 (nv)

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Brevisaccata*; Vogel et al. 20030805, 20030857

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Ceratobium*; 15075

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. ?*Distichophyllae*; Vogel et al. 20030806

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Latouria*; Vogel et al. 20030847

*Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Oxystophyllum*; Vogel et al. 20030803



- Dendrobium* sp., sect. *Spatulata*; Vogel et al. 20030828  
*Dendrobium* spp.; 14647; Vogel et al. 20030802, 20030849  
*Dipodium* spp.; Vogel et al. 20030821, 20030835  
*Eria* spp.; NGF 45111; Vogel et al. 20030801  
*Goodyera rubicunda* (Bl.) Lindl.; 15423  
*Habenaria chloroleuca* Schltr.; NGF 25685  
*Lepidogyne minor* Schltr.; 16603; NGF 24478 (nv)  
*Malaxis* sp.; NGF 45161  
*Neuwiedia veratrifolia* Bl.; 14431, 14644, 15096, 15156, 16584; NGF 24478; Vogel et al. 20030833  
*Paphiopedilum violascens* Schltr.; 16618; NGF 45147 (nv)  
*Phreatia* sp.; Vogel et al. 20030852  
*Plocoglottis* sp., *maculata* facies; 15055, 15087, 15159, 16565, 16594; LAE 52037; NGF 31652, 45192, 47762  
*Plocoglottis* sp., *sakiensis* facies; 14353; NGF 25688  
*Plocoglottis* spp.; 14665 (inflorescence terminal); Vogel et al. 20030794  
*Podochilus* sp., *scalpelliformis* facies; 14824  
*Pseuderia* cf. *similis* Schltr.; 14489, 15035, 15187, 15217  
*Pseuderia* spp.; Vogel et al. 20030834, 20030848  
*Rhynchophreatia* sp.; 14622  
*?Sarcanthopsis* sp.; 15075, 16443  
*Spathoglottis plicata* Bl.; Vogel et al. 20030820  
*Spathoglottis plicata* Bl. ssp. *humilis* Howcroft ined.; 14397, 14452, 14524, 14631, 15163; NGF 45095, 47766  
*Spathoglottis portusfinschii* Krzl.; Vogel et al. 20030819  
*Tainia* sp.; Vogel et al. 20030798  
*Tropidia disticha* Schltr.; NGF 45122; Rau 286  
*Tropidia* sp.; Vogel et al. 20030797  
*Vanilla* sp.; Vogel et al. 20030786, 20030858  
*Vrydagzynea novaguineensis* J.J. Sm.; NGF 45120  
genus indets.; 14352, 14897, 15069 (bottled); Vogel 20030857
- PANDANACEAE** (Freycinetia dets. by K.L. Huynh)  
*Freycinetia curvata* Huynh; 14347  
*Freycinetia cyrtocarpa* Kaneh.; 16444  
*Freycinetia erythrophylla* Huynh; 15265  
*Freycinetia funicularis* (Sav. ex Lam.) Merr.; 14587, 14589, 14596, 16539; Jacobs 9668; NGF 45225  
*Freycinetia glaucescens* Huynh; 14428  
*Freycinetia kamialiensis* Huynh; 16474  
*Freycinetia longiramulosa* Huynh; 15259  
*Freycinetia macrostachya* Mart.; 14593  
*Freycinetia mediana* Huynh; 15233  
*Freycinetia neoforbesii* Huynh; NGF 45155  
*Freycinetia oraria* Huynh; 14414, 14528, 14731  
*Freycinetia pluvisilvatica* Huynh; 14694  
*Freycinetia rubripedata* Huynh; 16440  
*Freycinetia sachsenensis* Huynh; 14384  
*Freycinetia takeuchii* Huynh; 14351, 14552, 16475  
*Freycinetia tenuis* Solms.; NGF 31628 (K)  
*Freycinetia* sp., *?marginata* Bl.; NGF 24488 (staminate)  
*Freycinetia* spp.; 14694; LAE 52341 (550 m elev.)  
*Pandanus cernuifolius* Merr. & Perry; 14421, 14442  
*Pandanus lustrorum* Stone, vel aff.; 15559  
*Pandanus tectorius* Parkinson; 14379  
*Pandanus* sp.; SR, Kulindi, 30 m canopy trees
- POACEAE**  
*Bambusa forbesii* (Ridl.) Holttum; 15360  
*Bambusa vulgaris* Schrad.; SR, Bitoi  
*Centotheca latifolia* (Osborn) Trin.; 15246  
*Chrysopogon aciculatus* (Retz.) Trin.; 14438  
*Eragrostis* cf. *brownii* (Kunth) Nees; 14532  
*Eragrostis tenella* (L.) P. Beauv. ex Roem. & Schult.; 14542  
*Eriachne trisetata* Nees ex Steud.; 14530  
*Ichnanthus vicinus* (F.M. Bailey) Merr.; 14816  
*Ischaemum mutica* L.; 14439  
*Nastus schlechteri* (Pilger) Holttum, vel aff.; 14583, 14755, 15235, 15395, 16604, 16642  
*Paspalum conjugatum* Berg.; 14562  
*Paspalum orbiculare* G. Forst.; 14543  
*Saccharum edule* Hassk.; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Saccharum officinarum* L.; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Sacciolepis indica* (L.) Chase; NGF 45193  
*Urochloa mutica* (Forssk.) T.-Q. Nguyen; SR, Kulindi  
*Zea mays* L.; SR, cult. Lababia
- SMILACACEAE**  
*Smilax* cf. *calophylla* Wall. ex DC.; 14655, 15016, 15561  
*Smilax* cf. *ovatolanceolata* Koyama; 14742, 15023  
*Smilax* sp., *'australis-zeylanica* facies'; 14567
- TRIURIDACEAE**  
*Sciaphila tenella* Bl.; NGF 45094  
*Sciaphila* sp.; Jacobs 9546; NGF 45144
- ZINGIBERACEAE**  
*Pleuranthodium* sp., *Psychanthus* facies; 14459, 14957, 14963



*Riedelia corallina* Val.; NGF 24452  
*Riedelia* cf. *hollandiae* Val.; 16590, 16602, 16617  
*Riedelia* sp. A; ?15049, 16613  
*Riedelia* sp. B; 14383, 14446, 14754, 14960, 16623  
*Riedelia* sp. C; 14403, 14648, 15353, 16610 (14403, 14648 distr. as *Pleuranthodium tephrochlamys*); NGF 24499, 47764

## DICOTS

### ACANTHACEAE

*Acanthus ilicifolius* L., sens. lat. (spineless form); 15361  
*Graptophyllum* sp.; LAE 52757 (nv)  
*Ruellia* sp. (*Leptosiphonium*); 15252  
*Strobilanthes* sp.; 15269

### ACTINIDIACEAE

*Saurauia* sp., aff. *schumanniana* Diels; 14356, 14417, 14557, 14579, 14623, 14787, 14918, 15032, 15045, 15443; NGF 25670, 47765; Rau 565

### ANACARDIACEAE

*Buchanania macrocarpa* Laut.; 15221, 16589; NGF 24484  
*Camptosperma brevipetiolata* Volk.; SR, Tabali River  
*Camptosperma montanum* Laut.; 15066; NGF 39416, 45110  
*Euroschinus papuanus* Merr. & Perry; NGF 25666  
*Semecarpus aruensis* Engl.; NGF 45151  
*Semecarpus australiensis* Engl.; Jacobs 9646; NGF 24485  
*Semecarpus* cf. *brachystachys* Merr. & Perry; 14486, 14614, 15005, 15358; NGF 28085 (K)  
*Semecarpus bracteatus* Laut., vel aff.; 14821, 14948, 15046  
*Semecarpus cassuvium* Roxb.; Jacobs 9559; LAE 52336  
*Semecarpus forstenii* Bl.; Jacobs 9594  
*Semecarpus* sp., aff. ?*schlechteri* Laut.; NGF 39436 (nv)

### ANNONACEAE

*Cyathocalyx* cf. *polycarpum* C.T. White (*papuanus-polycarpum* group); 14819, 14910, 15402; NGF 24489 (nv), 28075 (K, nv), 31634 (K, nv), 31642 (K, nv), 45141 (nv)  
*Goniothalamus aruensis* Scheff.; NGF 25663, 45160  
*Goniothalamus* sp.; Jacobs 9539

*Haplostichanthus longirostris* (Scheff.) Heusden; NGF 25002 (K)

*Mitrella* sp. (*Fissistigma* s. lat.); 14693, 14912, 15388  
 ?*Petalolophus megalopus* K. Sch., vel aff.; 14652, 15167, 15177 (all nos. without flowers, possibly *Pseuduvaria*)

*Polyalthia* cf. *oblongifolia* Burck.; NGF 25006 (K), 31638 (K)

*Polyalthia* spp.; 14865, 16631; Jacobs 9666, 9688; NGF 24456

*Pseuduvaria* ?*beccarii* (Scheff.) Sincl.; Conn et al. 203, 247; NGF 45137; Rau 613

*Pseuduvaria* sp., aff. ?*filipes* Laut. & K. Sch.; 14822

*Uvaria* sp., *cordata-rosenbergiana* facies; 14859, 14913, 14919

*Xylopia* sp., aff. *peekelii* Diels; 14941, 15580  
 genus indet.; LAE 52034

### APOCYNACEAE

*Alyxia acuminata* K. Sch., sens. lat.; 14698, 14766, 14977, 14985, 15025, 15145, 16563; LAE 51687, 68554; NGF 28072 (K)

*Anodendron oblongifolium* Hemsl.; 15433

*Cerbera floribunda* K. Sch.; 14516, 15344

*Cerbera manghas* L.; 15134

*Hoya lauterbachii* K. Sch.; NGF 22888 (nv)

*Hoya* sp. A; 14720, 14933, 15206, 15240

*Hoya* sp. B; 15425

*Ichnocarpus wariana* (Schltr.) Middleton; Jacobs 9687

*Melodinus* cf. *novoguineensis* (Wernh.) Pichon; 14679

*Ochrosia coccinea* (Teijsm. & Binn.) Miq.; 14422, 15040

*Parsonsia alboflavescens* (Dennst.) Mabberley; 14667, 14839, 15133, 15135

*Parsonsia buruensis* (Teijsm. & Binn.) Boerl.; 15137

*Parsonsia curvisepala* K. Sch.; 14718, 14853, 14971; NGF 25672, 45128

*Sarcolobus retusus* K. Sch.; 14354, 14606, 15138, 16566; Bellamy 5; Conn 174; Jacobs 9680; NGF 45114

*Tabernaemontana aurantiaca* Gaud.; 14395

*Tabernaemontana pandacaqui* Lam.; 14858, 15224

genus indet.; 15212

### ARALIACEAE

*Mackinlaya celebica* (Harms) Philipson; SR, near Cape Roan



*Mackinlaya schlechteri* (Harms) Philipson; 14671, 15094, 15190, 15572; NGF 45164  
*Osmoxylon boerlagei* (Warb.) Philipson; 15264  
*Plerandra stahlia* Warb.; NGF 62051  
*Schefflera* sp.; 14797, 14804, 14833

**ARISTOLOCHIACEAE**

*Aristolochia momandul* K. Sch.; 14394

**ASTERACEAE**

*Adenostemma lavenia* (L.) O. Ktze.; 15248  
*Bidens pilosa* L. var. *minor* (Bl.) Sherff; 14436  
*Erigeron sumatrensis* Retz.; 15204  
*Wedelia biflora* (L.) DC.; SR, near Tabali

**BEGONIACEAE**

*Begonia* sp., *brachybotrys-pseudolateralis* facies; 15424

**BIGNONIACEAE**

*Dolichandrone spathacea* (L.f.) K. Sch.; 15268  
*Pandorea pandorana* (Andr.) Steen.; 14852  
*Tecomanthe dendrophila* (Bl.) K. Sch.; NGF 24467, 39434

**BIXACEAE**

*Bixa orellana* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

**BURSERACEAE**

*Canarium lamii* Leenh.; NGF 28060 (K)  
*Canarium salomonense* Burtt; NGF 28092  
*Canarium vitiense* A. Gray; Jacobs 9672  
*Canarium* sp., close to *vitiense* A. Gray; NGF 31648 (K)  
*Haplolobus floribundus* (K. Sch.) H.J. Lam; Jacobs 9673; LAE 52055; NGF 24468

**CANNABACEAE**

*Gironniera celtidifolia* Gaud.; 14404, 14708, 14779, 14921, 15378, 16640; LAE 51667; NGF 25680, 47768  
*Trema cannabina* Lour.; 14483, 15064, 15173, 15346; Conn et al. 185, 187; NGF 31633 (K); Rau 563

**CARICACEAE**

*Carica papaya* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

**CASUARINACEAE**

*Gymnostoma papuanum* (S. Moore) L.A.S. Johnson; 14444, 14778, 14780; NGF 25665

**CELASTRACEAE**

*Bhesa archboldiana* (Merr. & Perry) Ding Hou; 15042, 15056, 15074 (distr. as *B. robusta*), 15571

*Loeseneriella macrantha* (Korth.) A.C. Smith; Jacobs 9619

*Lophopetalum torricellense* Loes.; 16600; LAE 51684

*Salacia chinensis* L.; 16425

*Salacia erythrocarpa* K. Sch.; LAE 52316

*Salacia papuana* (Loes.) Ding Hou; LAE 52320

*Salacia* sp.; NGF 45109 (carpological coll. missing, sheet sterile)

**CHRYSOBALANACEAE**

*Hunga papuana* (Baker f.) Prance; 14922, 14929, 14940, 15584

*Maranthes corymbosa* Bl.; 14556, 14712, 14920, 14937, 14942, 14968; NGF 31644 (K)

*Parastemon versteeghii* Merr. & Perry; 15021; NGF 45157

*Parinari papuana* C.T. White ssp. *whitei* Prance; 14885, 15015; Jacobs 9583; NGF 28063, 44202

**CLUSIACEAE** (*Calophyllum* dets. by P. Stevens)

*Calophyllum goniocarpum* Stevens; 14981; NGF 24474

*Calophyllum inophyllum* L.; 14535, 15111; Swaine 66

*Calophyllum morobensis* Stevens; Johns sn (LAE sheet 129181, nv); NGF 24490 (nv)

*Calophyllum papuanum* Laut.; 14892, 14905, 15347, 16564; LAE 52312; NGF 24487

*Calophyllum streimannii* Stevens; LAE 52755; NGF 24285, 24491, 28084 (K)

*Calophyllum* sp.; 14535

*Garcinia* cf. *assugu* Laut.; 16632

*Garcinia celebica* L.; 14416, 14419, 16413

*Garcinia dulcis* (Roxb.) Kurz; 15406; NGF 28066 (K)

*Garcinia hunsteinii* Laut.; 15050; NGF 24458

*Garcinia latissima* Miq.; NGF 24447, 28073

*Garcinia* cf. *ledermanii* Laut.; 14333, 14348, 14617, 14734, 14867, 15404

*Garcinia maluensis* Laut.; 15412, 16574; NGF 31646 (K)

*Garcinia sinuata* Stevens; 14886, 14888, 15169, 15192, 15398, 16583; NGF 24449, 45165

*Garcinia* sp., *assugu-maluensis* facies; 14651, 14689, 14713, 14729, 14830, 14863, 14890, 14955, 14987, 15001, 15199, 16436; LAE 52761

*Garcinia* sp., aff. ?*sabangensis* Laut.; 14433, 14769, 14808, 16641



*Garcinia* sp.?nov.; *ledermanii* facies but not *Cam-bogia*; 15379, 15409; NGF 24455

*Garcinia* spp.; 14325, 14799

*Mammea papyracea* Stevens; NGF 39414

### COMBRETACEAE

*Lumnitzera littorea* (Jack) Voight; 14378, 14902; LAE 52059; NGF 39092, 44153

*Terminalia canaliculata* Exell; 15256

*Terminalia catappa* L.; SR, Lababia

*Terminalia rubiginosa* K. Sch.; LAE 52043

*Terminalia sepicana* Diels; NGF 39412

### CONVOLVULACEAE

*Erycibe* cf. *hellwigii* Prain; 14585, 14682; LAE 51691; NGF 24471, 24498, 45100 (keys between *E. carrii* and *E. puberula*)

*Ipomoea batatas* (L.) Lamk; SR, cult. Lababia

*Ipomoea pes-caprae* (L.) R. Br.; 14544

*Ipomoea pes-caprae* (L.) R. Br. ssp. *brasiliensis* (L.) Ooststroom; NGF 22879

*Merremia peltata* (L.) Merr.; SR, Tabali River

### CUCURBITACEAE

*Cucumis sativus* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

### CUNONIACEAE

*Ceratopetalum succirubrum* C.T. White; sn (sterile)

*Weinmannia fraxinea* (D. Don) Miq.; 15053, 15054, 15150

### DILLENIACEAE

*Tetracera nordtiana* F.v.M. var. *moluccana* (Mart.) Hoogl.; 15004

### DIPTEROCARPACEAE

*Anisoptera thurifera* (Blanco) Bl. ssp. *polyandra* (Bl.) Ashton; SR, throughout KWMA; LAE 51965, 52039

*Hopea* cf. *glabrifolia* C.T. White; 14620

### EBENACEAE

*Diospyros* cf. *elliptica* (J.R. & G. Forst.) Green; NGF 28070 (K), 31631 (K), 31632 (K), 31647 (K), 45168, 45169 (some inflorescences cymose but most simple)

*Diospyros ferrea* (Willd.) Bakh., sens. lat.; 14366, 14555, 14559, 14574, 14715, 14847, 14943, 14975, 15033, 15439 (preceding nos. distr. as *D. elliptica* but inflorescence not cymose), 15387; NGF 39096

*Diospyros novoguineensis* Bakh.; 15371, 16417; LAE 51679; NGF 24457, 28078 (K), 45148

*Diospyros papuana* Val. ex Bakh.; NGF 45135

*Diospyros* cf. *sogeriensis* Bakh.; 15029, 15098, 15381; NGF 24450, 24500

*Diospyros* sp., ?'ferrea group'; NGF 25010 (K)

### ELAEOCARPACEAE

*Aceratium parvifolium* Schltr.; NGF 31627 (K)

*Elaeocarpus dolichostylus* Schltr. ssp. *dolichostylus*; NGF 45138

*Elaeocarpus ledermannii* Schltr.; LAE 51670, 52758; NGF 44209, 45129

*Elaeocarpus sphaericus* (Gaertn.) K. Sch.; 14418, 14548

*Elaeocarpus* sp., 'sepikanus group'; LAE 52048

*Elaeocarpus* sp.?nov. 5, aff. *miegei* fide Coode; LAE 52295; NGF 25668, 28089

*Sloanea pulchra* (Schltr.) A.C. Smith ssp. *morobensis* Coode; NGF 25005 (K), 28067 (K), 28096 (K)

*Sloanea sogerensis* Bak. f., sens. lat.; 14695; Conn et al. 197; NGF 28065 (K), 31649 (K), 45117 (most colls. represent the 'schumannii facies', cf. Coode 1981)

### ERICACEAE

*Paphia megaphylla* Stevens ined.; 15383B, 16644

### ERYTHROXYLACEAE

*Erythroxylum ecarinatum* Burck; 14763, 14768, 14772, 14786, 14796, 14992, 15039

**EUPHORBIACEAE** sens. lat. (including Phyllanthaceae)

*Actephila lindleyi* (Steud.) Airy Shaw; 14386, 14456, 14639, 14677, 15030, 15354, 16592; Jacobs 9538; LAE 52031; NGF 45136

*Antidesma moluccanum* Airy Shaw var. *moluccanum*; 15417

*Antidesma polyanthum* K. Sch. & Laut.; 14856, 15014

*Antidesma* cf. *sarcocarpum* Airy Shaw; 14972; NGF 28061 (K)

*Antidesma sphaerocarpum* Muell. Arg.; 14474, 14493, 15038, 15414, 15568; LAE 52051; NGF 45167

*Aporosa brassii* Mansf.; NGF 45133

*Aporosa praegrandifolia* (S. Moore) Schot; 15168; LAE 52049; NGF 45134, 45171

*Breynia cernua* (Poir.) Muell. Arg.; 14423, 14580, 14834, 14967; NGF 47782

*Claoxylon* aff. *ledermannii* Airy Shaw var. *ledermannii*; 14738, 14751 (nos. distr. as



group 'Purpurescencia'), 15386, 15416, 16587; LAE 51669  
*Cleistanthus pedicellatus* Hook. f.; 14749 (distr. as *Kairothamnus phyllanthoides*)  
*Cleistanthus* sp., cf. *myrianthus* (Hassk.) Kurz; 16621; NGF 44608  
*Cleistanthus* sp., aff. *pedicellatus* Hook. f.; 14473 (leaves obtuse, capsule lobed)  
*Codiaeum variegatum* (L.) Bl. var. *moluccanum* (Decne) Muell. Arg.; Jacobs 9596; NGF 45143  
*Croton* cf. *choristadenius* K. Sch.; 14747, 15151, 16442; NGF 45101, 45102  
*Endospermum* cf. *labios* Schodde; 15255  
*Euphorbia hirta* L.; 14435  
*Glochidion granulare* Airy Shaw; 16412  
*Glochidion* sp.; 14571  
*Kairothamnus phyllanthoides* (A. Shaw) A. Shaw; LAE 52046, 73372; NGF 24462, 44211, 44602, 45108  
*Macaranga angustifolia* Laut. & K. Sch.; 15375; NGF 25674  
*Macaranga bifoventata* J.J. Smith; 14525, 14582, 14586, 14807, 15359, 16431  
*Macaranga polyadenia* Pax & Hoffm.; SR, passim  
*Macaranga tanarius* (L.) Muell. Arg.; NGF 44609 (nv)  
*Manihot esculenta* Crantz; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Phyllanthus* cf. *effusus* S. Moore; 14321, 14387  
*Phyllanthus* sp.; NGF 45177  
*Pimelodendron amboinicum* Hassk.; 14788, 15405; NGF 31640 (K), 31643 (K)  
*Suregada glomerulata* (Bl.) Baill.; 14367, 15013, 15034

### FABACEAE

*Abrus pulchellus* Thwaites ssp. *pulchellus*; NGF 62046  
*Arachis hypogaea* L.; SR, cult. Lababia  
*Archidendron lucyi* F.v.M.; 15436  
*Archidendron molle* (K. Sch.) de Wit, vel aff.; 16524; Jacobs 9621; LAE 52760; NGF 28090 (K)  
*Archidendron ptenopum* Verdc.; 16616; NGF 44212  
*Archidendron* sp.; 15022  
*Caesalpinia crista* L.; NGF 22896  
*Crotalaria retusa* L.; 15376  
*Dahlbergia candenatensis* (Dennst.) Prain; 14882  
*Derris indica* (Lam.) J.J. Bennett; 14619, 15123; NGF 25686 (nv)  
*Derris trifoliata* Lour.; SR, Tabali

*Desmodium umbellatum* (L.) DC.; 14361, 14450, 15117  
*Inocarpus* cf. *papuanus* Kostermans; 14719  
*Intsia bijuga* (Colebr.) O. Kuntze; SR, Bulili shore-line  
*Macropsychanthus lauterbachii* Harms; SR, Saia River  
*Maniltoa* sp., aff. *schefferi* K. Sch. & Hollrung; 14318, 15582; sp. E in Verdcourt (1979)  
*Mucuna schlechteri* Harms; 14746, 14966, 15377; Jacobs 9640; NGF 25673, 45096  
*Ormosia calavensis* Azaola ex Blanco; 14958  
*Sophora tomentosa* L. ssp. *tomentosa*; Martin 2520; NGF 47774  
*Vigna unguiculata* (L.) Walp.; SR, cult. Lababia

### FAGACEAE

*Lithocarpus vinkii* Soepadmo; 14317, 14517 (nos. distr. as *L. celebicus*); NGF 24492, 31622 (K), 44213

### GENTIANACEAE

*Fagraea amabilis* S. Moore; 14462 (610 m)  
*Fagraea berteriana* A. Gray ex Wall.; Jacobs 9542; LAE 52314 (nv)  
*Fagraea ceilanica* Thunb.; 14369, 14598, 15020  
*Fagraea racemosa* Jack ex Wall.; 14760, 14908, 14979, 15340; Jacobs 9622; LAE 51665, 52041, 52335, 68510; NGF 22885 (K)

### GESNERIACEAE

*Aeschynanthus* cf. *kermesinus* Schltr.; 14504  
*Aeschynanthus* cf. *leptocladus* C.B. Clarke; 14461  
*Boea lawesii* H.O. Forbes; LAE 62047  
*Boea mollis* Schltr.; NGF 47781  
*Cyrtandra schumanniana* Schltr., vel aff.; LAE 51682  
*Cyrtandra* sp., sect. *Centrosiphon*; NGF 45173  
*Cyrtandra* sp., sect. *Loxophyllum*/*Phaeotrichium*; 14458, 14485

### GOODENIACEAE

*Scaevola oppositifolia* R. Br.; SR, Kulindi  
*Scaevola sericea* Vahl; 14363

### ICACINACEAE

*Platea latifolia* Bl.; 15421  
*Rhyticaryum longifolium* K. Sch. & Laut.; 14653, 14664, 14877; Jacobs 9671

### LAMIACEAE

*Callicarpa longifolia* Lamk.; NGF 22883 (K)  
*Gmelina ledermanni* H.J. Lam; 14365, 14487,



14924, 15026, 15114, 15343; Jacobs 9536;  
NGF 28077 (K); Rau 609

*Leucas flaccida* R. Br.; NGF 25684

*Plectranthus* sp., aff. *?parviflorus* Willd.; 14437  
(does not key)

*Premna serratifolia* L.; 14441, 14893; NGF 47784

### LAURACEAE

*Actinodaphne nitida* Teschn.; NGF 31637 (K)

*Cassytha filiformis* L.; 14527, 14540

*Cinnamomum eugenoliferum* Kosterm.; NGF  
45130

*Cryptocarya* cf. *densiflora* Bl.; LAE 52315

*Cryptocarya laevigata* Bl.; 14709, 14947, 14953,  
15153, 16588, 16608

*Cryptocarya multipaniculata* Teschn.; 15241

*Cryptocarya novoguineensis* Teschn.; 16633; NGF  
28086 (K)

*Cryptocarya pulchella* Teschn., vel aff.; 15578

*Cryptocarya* sp.; 14476

*Endiandra engleriana* Teschn.; NGF 28068 (K)

*Endiandra forbesii* Gamble; NGF 39098, 45187

*Litsea* sp., *collina* facies; 15348

*Litsea* sp., *guppyi* facies; 14703, 14978, 15244; NGF  
24472

*Persea americana* Mill.; SR, cult. Lababia

### LECYTHIDACEAE

*Barringtonia apiculata* Laut.; 15113; LAE 52053;  
NGF 28081 (K)

*Barringtonia asiatica* (L.) Kurz; SR, Lababia, also  
several colls. Lasanga

*Barringtonia lumina* Jebb ined.; SR, Saia River (un-  
common); NGF 45145

*Barringtonia pinifolia* Jebb ined.; 14560, 14576,  
14681, 14704 (distr. as *B. calyptrocalyx* cf. var.  
*boridiensis*), 16438, 16585; Jacobs 9550

*Barringtonia racemosa* (L.) Spreng.; 15250

*Barringtonia* sp., aff. *?acutangula* (L.) Gaertn.;  
15364

*Barringtonia* sp. A; NGF 25676, listed as uniden-  
tified 'group 2' in Jebb (1991)

*Barringtonia* sp. B; 14866 (distr. as *B. calyptrata* but  
not that species)

### LINACEAE

*Hugonia jenkinsii* F.v.M.; 14632, 15112, 15160; Ja-  
cobs 9603; NGF 24470

### LOGANIACEAE

*Geniostoma rupestre* J.R. & G. Forst.; 16597; Conn  
et al. 175, 178, 186, 207; Jacobs 9597, 9613;

NGF 24486, 47763; Rau 283, 590, 606, 608, 614,  
617

*Geniostoma rupestre* J.R. & G. Forst. var. *rupestre*;  
14448, 14480, 14714, 14727, 14752, 14832,  
14838, 14855, 14931, 15072, 15442

*Neuburgia corynocarpa* (A. Gray) Leenh.; 15245,  
15258, 15363

*Strychnos minor* Dennst.; 14316, 15024, 15027

### LORANTHACEAE

*Amyema scandens* (Tiegh.) Danser ssp. *scandens*;  
16432

*Decaisnina hollrungii* (K. Sch.) Barlow; 14551,  
16421; NGF 45196

*Dendrophthoe curvata* (Bl.) Miq.; 14430, 14529  
genus indet.; NGF 47761

### MAESACEAE

*Maesa haplobotys* F.v.M.; 14923, 15238, 15384,  
16620

### MALVACEAE

*Brownlowia argentata* Kurz; 15275

*Commersonia bartramia* (L.) Merr.; 14410, 14460,  
14823, 15047, 15342; Swaine 10

*Heritiera littoralis* Ait.; 15249; LAE 52333

*Hibiscus tiliaceus* L.; SR, Tabali River and Lababia  
beachfront

*Kleinhovia hospita* L.; SR, Lababia

*Microcos* sp.; NGF 28069 (K)

*Sida cordifolia* L.; 14434

*Sterculia* cf. *lepidostellata* Milbr.; 14820

*Sterculia morobeensis* Tantra; Jacobs 9663; NGF  
28093 (K)

*Sterculia schumanniana* (Laut.) Mildbr.; 14721;  
Conn et al. 211; LAE 62045; NGF 28076 (K)

*Sterculia* sp. ?nov., aff. *shillinglawii* F.v.M.; 14591,  
14743, 14803, 15181

*Sterculia* sp. nov., fide Tantra (1976); Jacobs 9639

*Thespesia populnea* (L.) Sol. ex Correa; SR, Lababia

### MELASTOMATACEAE

*Astronidium morobiense* Maxw.; 15351, 15560,  
16223 (dets. S.S. Renner); NGF 25658 (nv) and  
45180 (nv) could be this sp.

*Medinilla* sp., aff. *tenuipedicellata* Bak. f.; 14795

*Medinilla* spp.; 15365, 16615

*Melastoma malabathricum* L. ssp.  
*malabathricum*; 14372, 15121 (distr. as *M. af-  
fine* D. Don)

*Poikilogyne* sp.; NGF 45232



**MELIACEAE**

- Aglaia brownii* C.M. Pannell; 14911; NGF 24446  
*Aglaia* cf. *rimosa* (Blanco) Merr.; 14666, 15076  
*Aglaia sapindina* (F.v.M.) Harms; 14427, 15230, 15266, 15366, 15574, 16222; Jacobs 9576, 9607; NGF 45140; Warete-Namorong 7  
*Aglaia tomentosa* Teijsm. & Binn.; 15407, 15422, 16643  
*Aglaia* sp., aff. ?*agglomerata* Merr. & Perry; 14332, 14482, 15179 (distr. as *A. silvestris*, vel aff.), 15419, 15576; NGF 45183  
*Aglaia* sp., aff. ?*sapindina* (F.v.M.) Harms; 14393, 15175, 15191, 15350; LAE 52054  
*Aphanamixis polystachya* (Wall.) R.N. Parker; 15434  
*Chisocheton lasiocarpus* (Miq.) Val.; 15257, 15429  
*Chisocheton lasiocarpus* (Miq.) Val. entity 'schlechteri'; 15041, 15104, 15161, 15176, 16599; LAE 52343  
*Chisocheton lasiocarpus* (Miq.) Val. entity 'weinlandii'; LAE 62059  
*Chisocheton sapindinus* Stevens; 14336, 15411, 15574, 16414; NGF 45140  
*Dysoxylum arborescens* (Bl.) Miq.; LAE 51686  
*Dysoxylum papuanum* (Merr. & Perry) Mabb.; LAE 52319  
*Vavaea amicorum* Benth.; NGF 24482  
*Xylocarpus granatum* Koen.; 14634, 14899

**MEMECYLACEAE**

- Memecylon* sp., *sepicana-schraderbergense* facies; 14670; NGF 25003

**MENISPERMACEAE**

- Hypserpa polyandra* Becc. var. *polyandra*; 14553, 14744, 15078; Jacobs 9653; LAE 51673; NGF 24473  
*Macrocculus pomiferus* Becc.; LAE 62057

**MONIMIACEAE**

- Kairoa suberosa* Philipson; 15430  
*Kibara oblongata* Philipson, vel aff.; 14334, 15012  
*Levieria nitens* Perkins; NGF 24439 (nv)  
*Stegantthera hirsuta* (Warb.) Perkins; 14575, 14706, 15164; NGF 25687

**MORACEAE**

- Artocarpus communis* J.R. & G. Forst.; SR, Tabali River  
*Ficus adenosperma* Miq.; 14359  
*Ficus ampelas* Burm. f.; 14565, 14581, 14592, 14726; NGF 45118

- Ficus arfakensis* King; 15263  
*Ficus benjamina* L.; LAE 52300, 68522; NGF 44154  
*Ficus calodictya* Summerh.; 14962  
*Ficus gul* Laut. & K. Sch.; 15019, 15222, 15272  
*Ficus hystericicarpa* Warb.; 14687, 14964  
*Ficus irritans* Summerh.; 14691, 14970  
*Ficus itoana* Diels; 14626  
*Ficus odoardi* King; NGF 51671  
*Ficus pachystemon* Warb.; 14491, 14569, 14584, 14673, 14696, 15210, 15401, 15569B (some nos. merging with *F. subtrinervia* Laut. & K. Sch.)  
*Ficus rhizophoriphylla* King; NGF 28087 (K)  
*Ficus trachypison* K. Sch. var. *pallida* Corner; LAE 52759  
*Ficus wassa* Roxb.; NGF 31645 (K)  
*Parartocarpus venenosus* (Zoll. & Mor.) Becc. ssp. *papuanus* (Becc.) Jarrett; NGF 25001 (K)  
*Prainea papuana* Becc.; NGF 45150

**MYRISTICACEAE**

- Gymnacranthera farquhariana* (Hook. f. & Th.) Warb. var. *zippeliana* (Miq.) R. Schouten; 14337, 14680, 14872, 14945, 14954A, 15410, 16625, 16626, 16627, 16628  
*Horsfieldia hellwigii* (Warb.) Warb.; 15435  
*Horsfieldia laevigata* (Bl.) Warb. var. *laevigata*; LAE 51683, 52030  
*Horsfieldia piliifera* Markgrf.; Jacobs 9609, 9609A; LAE 52756; NGF 28080 (nv)  
*Horsfieldia sylvestris* (Houtt.) Warb.; 15271  
*Horsfieldia tuberculata* (K. Sch.) Warb. var. *tuberculata*; 14549  
*Myristica chrysophylla* Sincl. ssp. *chrysophylla*; 14735, 14951, 15438; Jacobs 9574; LAE 52032, 52062; NGF 45166  
*Myristica chrysophylla* Sincl. cf. ssp. *entrecasteauxensis* (Sincl.) de Wilde; 14335, 14602, 15018, 15082, 15130; LAE 52029  
*Myristica cornutiflora* Sincl. ssp. *elegans* de Wilde; 14590, 14860  
*Myristica filipes* de Wilde; 14566, 14700, 14935; Conn et al. 182, 281 (nv); LAE 51668, 52061 (nv); NGF 45115, 45116  
*Myristica globosa* Warb.; Jacobs 9572  
*Myristica markgraviana* A.C. Smith; LAE 52027  
*Myristica sulcata* Warb.; Jacobs 9685; LAE 52028  
*Myristica tubiflora* Bl.; NGF 45142  
*Myristica umbrosa* Sincl.; 14600, 15188; LAE 52033, 52047, 52287, 52332; NGF 25659



*Myristica* sp. ?nov.; 14340, 14661, 15011, 15109, 15397, 16424, 16573

*Myristica* sp.; 16591

### MYRSINACEAE

*Aegiceras corniculatum* (L.) Blanco; 15274

*Conandrium polyanthum* (Laut. & K. Sch.) Mez; 14338, 14447, 14570, 14761, 14774, 14825; LAE 52040, 52050

*Discocalyx kaoyae* Pipoly & Takeuchi ined.; 16441

*Discocalyx orthoneura* K. Sch.; NGF 24451

*Discocalyx* sp.; Jacobs 9584 (nv)

*Fittingia tubiflora* Mez; 14425, 14429, 14445, 14572, 14991, 14997, 14999, 16580, 16582, 16596, 16622; LAE 52302

*Fittingia urceolata* Mez; Conn et al. 284; Jacobs 9644; NGF 45139, 45163; Rau 291

*Myrsine leucantha* (K. Sch.) Pipoly; NGF 24429, 45235 (nv)

*Myrsine rawacensis* A. DC.; 14604, 15562; NGF 44603

*Myrsine* sp., (*Rapanea ?lamii* Sleumer); 14469

### MYRTACEAE

*Decaspermum bracteatum* (Roxb.) A.J. Scott var. *bracteatum*; 14611, 14770, 14782, 14792, 15007, 16567; LAE 52322

*Eucalyptopsis papuana* C.T. White; LAE 52296, 52331, 52334; NGF 28097 (K)

*Lophostemon suaveolens* (Sol. ex Gaertn.) P.G. Wilson & J.T. Waterh.; 15116

*Myrtella beccarii* F.v.M.; 14349, 14380, 14814, 15583; Bellamy 6; Jacobs 9650; LAE 52292, 72469; NGF 44151; Paijmans 1564; Swaine 8; Watt sn

*Octamyrtus insignis* Diels; NGF 25018

*Psidium guajava* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

*Rhodamnia blairiana* F.v.M. var. *propinqua* (C.T. White) A.J. Scott; 14405, 14841; NGF 44215

*Rhodomyrtus pinnatinervis* C.T. White; LAE 52304 (600 m)

*Syzygium buettnerianum* (K. Sch.) Niedenzu, vel aff.; Jacobs 9677; LAE 52297

*Syzygium claviflorum* (Roxb.) Cowan & Cowan; 14477

*Syzygium effusum* (A. Gray) C. Muell., sens. lat.; 14315; NGF 24483, 45159

*Syzygium* cf. *flavescens* (Ridley) Merr. & Perry; 14341

*Syzygium furfuraceum* Merr. & Perry; 14740, 14944; NGF 31635 (K), 31650 (K)

*Syzygium leptoneurum* Diels; 15194; NGF 39095, 47770; Swaine 9

*Syzygium longipes* Merr. & Perry; 14388

*Syzygium nutans* (K. Sch.) Merr. & Perry; Jacobs 9629; NGF 24459

*Syzygium richardsonianum* Merr. & Perry, vel aff.; 14733, 14954B, 15084, 15144, 15399; LAE 51663; NGF 24476, 39431

*Syzygium subcorymbosum* Merr. & Perry; LAE 52289, 52317; NGF 45106

*Syzygium thornei* Hartley & Perry; NGF 24428

*Syzygium trivene* (Ridley) Merr. & Perry; 14381, 14402, 14413, 14484, 14518, 14588, 14618, 14688, 14737, 14851, 14969, 14994, 14998, 15396, 15437, 15569A, 16434, 16581; Jacobs 9617, 9645; LAE 51664; NGF 24497, 25657, 39419, 44155

*Syzygium* cf. *trivene* (Ridley) Merr. & Perry; 14773, 14811, 14835, 14845; NGF 25669 (nonconformist nos. with persisting bracts but cf. Hartley & Perry 1973: 213)

*Syzygium viburnoides* Diels; 14479

*Syzygium xylopiaceum* (Diels) Merr. & Perry; Jacobs 9654; LAE 52291

*Syzygium* sp., = *Acmena acuminatissima* (Bl.) Merr. & Perry; NGF 28095 (K)

*Syzygium* sp., aff. *malaccense* (L.) Merr. & Perry; 15349

*Syzygium* sp., aff. ?*rostratum* (Bl.) DC.; 15127

*Syzygium* sp. ?nov.; aff. *pyriforme* Merr. & Perry; 15382, 16607

*Syzygium* sp. ?nov., aff. *couplet* 57a or 88a; 14723, 14724, 14725

*Syzygium* sp.; 15095

*Syzygium* sp.; 15428

*Tristaniopsis macrosperma* (F.v.M.) P.G. Wilson & J.T. Waterh.; 14343, 15058, 15131, 15579; NGF 24464, 44607; Vinas & Kairo 295

*Tristaniopsis oreophila* (Diels) P.G. Wilson & J.T. Waterh.; NGF 42638

*Xanthostemon petiolatus* (Val.) P.G. Wilson; 15147, 15345

### NEPENTHACEAE

*Nepenthes neoguineensis* Macf.; 14453, 14697; 14837 (distr. as *N. mirabilis*), 15573, 16435; Jacobs 9651, 9658; LAE 52313; NGF 24461, 24463; Rau 571; Watt 31

### NYCTAGINACEAE

*Pisonia longirostris* Teijsm. & Binn.; LAE 62049



**NYSSACEAE**

*Mastixia kaniensis* Melch. ssp. *kaniensis*; LAE 52339

**OCHNACEAE**

*Brackenridgea forbesii* Tieg.; 16629; NGF 25004 (K), 28091 (K), 44205

*Schuurmansia henningsii* K. Sch.; 15220; NGF 31620 (K), 39413, 39430

**OLACACEAE**

*Anacolosa papuana* Schellenb.; 16624

**OLEACEAE**

*Chionanthus ramiflorus* Roxb.; LAE 62048

*Chionanthus rupicolus* (Lingelsch.) Kiew; 14385, 14607, 14672, 14883, 15149 (distr. as *C. ramiflorus*); Bellamy 9; LAE 52325; NGF 24465; Rau 572

*Chionanthus sessiliflorum* (Hemsl.) Kiew; LAE 62060

*Jasminum schumannii* Lingelsh.; LAE 62050

**OXALIDACEAE**

*Averrhoa bilimbi* L.; 14408, 14817

**PANDACEAE**

*Galearia celebica* Koord. var. *celebica*; 14660, 14927, 15037, 15209, 15400, 15403; LAE 51672

**PASSIFLORACEAE**

*Adenia heterophylla* (Bl.) Koord. ssp. *heterophylla*; NGF 62062

*Passiflora foetida* L.; SR, Lababia

**PENTAPHYLACACEAE**

*Eurya* sp./?spp.; 14463; NGF 24431 (nv), 45234 (nv)

**PIPERACEAE**

*Piper aduncum* L.; 15273

*Piper celtidiforme* Opiz.; 15243

*Piper lessertianum* (Miq.) C. DC.; 14432, 14455, 14828

*Piper macropiper* Pennant; 14561

*Piper novoguineense* Warb.; 14345

*Piper pseudoamboinense* C. DC.; NGF 25678

*Piper versteegii* C. DC.; LAE 51689

*Piper* sp.; 14314

**POLYGALACEAE**

*Eriandra fragrans* Royen & Steen.; 14376, 14683, 14777, 14871, 14873, 14874, 14875, 14946, 15239, 15380

*Polygala paniculata* L.; 14375

**POLYOSMACEAE**

*Polyosma* sp., aff. *forbesii* Val.; 14329, 14466, 14884, 14894, 15090, 15413; NGF 52337

**PROTEACEAE**

*Bleasdalea papuana* (Diels) Domin; LAE 52344 (550 m)

*Finschia chloroxantha* Diels; 14364, 15146; LAE 52060, 52345; NGF 45119, 47783

*Grevillea papuana* Diels; 14449, 14521

*Helicia obtusata* Sleum.; LAE 51685, 52038, 52288, 52298

*Stenocarpus moorei* F.v.M.; 14526, 14534, 14984, 14989, 15394, 16426; LAE 52044, 52294, 52326; NGF 39091

**RHAMNACEAE**

*Alphitonia excelsa* (Fenzl) Reiss. ex Endl. (sensu Schirarend); 15335, 15374; Jacobs 9667

*Alphitonia macrocarpa* Mansf.; 15408; NGF 25664

**RHIZOPHORACEAE**

*Bruguiera gymnorhiza* (L.) Lamk; 14377

*Ceriops tagal* (Perr.) C.B. Rob.; 15148B; Bellamy 16; LAE 68539

*Gynotroches axillaris* Bl.; 15091, 15570; Jacobs 9684; NGF 24494, 31641 (K)

*Rhizophora apiculata* Bl.; LAE 68537, 68543

*Rhizophora stylosa* Griff.; 15143

**ROSACEAE**

*Rubus fraxinifolius* Poirét; LAE 62052

**RUBIACEAE**

*Anthorrhiza echinella* Huxley & Jebb; 14470 (distr. as *Myrmecodia tuberosa*); NGF 39094, 45103

*Atractocarpus macarthurii* (F.v.M.) Puttock; Jacobs 9580

*Atractocarpus* sp., = *Randia sphaerocarpa* K. Sch. & Laut.; NGF 24454

*Atractocarpus* sp.; 14342, 14370, 14472, 14676, 14707, 14711, 14928, 15081, 15369, 15370; NGF 25009 (K), 39093, 45152, 47777

*Canthium* sp., sens. lat.; 14654, 15100, 15136, 15237; Heads 268; NGF 39429, 45158, 47760, 47772; Rau 287

*Gardenia lamingtonii* F.M. Bailey; NGF 45185

*Gardenia* sp. nov.; 14864, 15101, 15558, 15575; NGF 25675, 45156

*Gynochthodes* aff. *verticillata* (Val.) Hosokawa; 14692, distr. as '*Randia*'

*Hedyotis corymbosa* (L.) Lam.; 14541

*Hedyotis pubescens* Val.; NGF 45176



*Hydnophytum hellwigii* Warb.; 15207; NGF 25662, 45105  
*Hydnophytum* cf. *radicans* Becc.; LAE 62058  
*Hydnophytum* sp. A; 14399  
*Hydnophytum* sp. B; 14949; Jacobs 9669  
*Ixora* sp. A; 14322, 14371, 14392, 14625, 14628, 14854, 14887, 14926, 14936, 14938, 14976, 15000, 15003, 15119, 15341; LAE 51675, 52042, 62061; NGF 24495, 31630 (K), 45179  
*Ixora* sp. B; 14481, 15009, 15105, 15385, 15581, 16420, 16609  
*Lasianthus* sp., *papuanus-chlorocarpus* facies; 15178, 15197  
*Morinda citrifolia* L.; 14424, 15368; Conn 320; Jacobs 9702; LAE 52293; NGF 47769  
*Morinda umbellata* L.; 14478, 14635  
*Mussaenda ferruginea* K. Sch.; 14757  
*Myrmecodia tuberosa* Jack; 14730  
*Nauclea orientalis* (L.) L.; 15254  
*Nauclea tenuiflora* (Havil.) Merr.; NGF 22886 (K)  
*Neonauclea clemensii* Merr. & Perry; NGF 22489  
? *Porterandia*, = *Randia ixoraeflora* Wernh.; Jacobs 9689; NGF 51688, 52057  
*Psychotria amplithyrsa* Val.; 15166; NGF 51680  
*Psychotria archboldii* Sohmer var. *archboldii*; 14904, 14906, 15028, 16415, 16422  
*Psychotria bulilimontis* var. *aestuarii* Takeuchi; 14990, 14993, 14995, 15002  
*Psychotria bulilimontis* Takeuchi var. *bulilimontis*; 16416, 16428  
*Psychotria croftiana* Sohmer; 14490, 15048, 15139, 15566, 16430B, 16578; Jacobs 9636  
*Psychotria diplococca* Laut. & K. Sch. var. *diplococca*; 15432  
*Psychotria* cf. *leiophloea* Merr. & Perry; 15234, 15236, 16430A  
*Psychotria leonardii* Merr. & Perry; 15057  
*Psychotria leptothyrsa* Miq. var. *leptothyrsa*; 14492; Jacobs 9567  
*Psychotria membranifolia* Bartl. ex DC.; 14488, 14750, 14831, 15184, 15203, 16575, 16577, 16606  
*Psychotria micralabastra* (Laut. & K. Sch.) Val.; 15068, 15339, 15426, 15427; NGF 31651 (K)  
*Psychotria micrococca* (Laut. & K. Sch.) Val.; Conn et al. 278 (nv)  
*Psychotria olivacea* Val.; 14771, 14827, 14898, 14900, 15108, 15189, 15357, 16437; Jacobs 9638; NGF 28083 (K)  
*Psychotria waiuensis* Sohmer; 14310; NGF 25626

*Psychotria* sp. ?nov.; 15170, 15174A, 16593; Vinas & Kairo 304  
*Psychotria* sp. (liane); LAE 62053  
*Psydrax* sp., = *Canthium cymigerum* (Val.) B.L. Burt; 14382, 14784, 14810; NGF 24475, 25667  
*Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea* Gaertn.; 14636; NGF 45112  
*Timonius paiawensis* S. Darwin; 14362, 14440, 14520, 14522, 15065, 15338; Conn et al. 301, 313; LAE 52328; NGF 39097, 47767  
*Timonius timon* (Spreng.) Merr. var. *buloloensis* S. Darwin; 14362B; Jacobs 9626; NGF 44207  
*Timonius timon* (Spreng.) Merr. var. *timon*; 15367  
*Timonius* sp., aff. *rufescens* (Miq.) Boerl.; 14798, 14870  
*Timonius* sp. ?nov.; 14328, 14663, 14781, 15106, 15567  
*Uncaria lanosa* Wall. var. *appendiculata* (Benth.) Ridsd.; 14767  
*Urophyllum glaucescens* Val., vel aff.; 14401, 14891, 15089; Jacobs 9565, 9692; LAE 52056, 52299, 52338; NGF 24448, 28094 (K), 31621 (K), 31626 (K), 45132; Rau 607, 612  
*Xanthophytum papuanum* Wernh.; 14454, 16418; NGF 44210, 45184

## RUTACEAE

*Acronychia trifoliolata* Zoll. & Mor.; 14901, 15118, 15148, 16419  
*Flindersia laevicarpa* White & Francis var. *heterophylla* (Merr. & Perry) Hartley; 14519, 15124, 15132; NGF 31636  
*Halfordia drupifera* F.v.M.; 14344  
*Melicope denhamii* (Seem.) Hartley; 14420, 14523, 14736, 15031  
*Melicope xanthoxyloides* (F.v.M.) Hartley; 15373  
*Zanthoxylum novoguineense* Hartley; 14699, 14759, 14785, 14801, 14813 (distr. as *Euodia* aff. 'alata-mollis group') 16645; LAE 52311, 52329; NGF 25690  
genus indet.; 15564

## SABIACEAE

*Sabia pauciflora* Bl.; 15431

## SALICACEAE

*Casearia erythrocarpa* Sleumer, vel aff.; 14327, 14339, 14368, 14451, 14701, 14806, 14846, 14861, 14909, 14988, 15355; NGF 25671, 28082 (K)  
*Casearia* cf. *macrantha* Gilg; 14848, 14916, 14939, 15162; NGF 52045



*Casearia* sp., aff. *flexicaulis* K. Sch.; 14357, 14545, 14605, 14616, 14829, 14959, 15115 (14357, 14616, 14829 distr. as *Glochidion* sp.); LAE 51681; NGF 25661

*Casearia* sp., closest to ?*novoguineensis* Val.; 15418, 16605

*Homalium d'entrecasteauxense* Craven; 14650, 14876

*Scolopia novoguineensis* Warb.; 14612, 14627

*Trichadenia sasae* Takeuchi; 15589, 16561

### SANTALACEAE

*Exocarpos latifolius* R. Brown; 14889, 15120, 15372, 16423; LAE 51666; NGF 39418

*Scleropyrum aurantiacum* (Laut. & K. Sch.) Pilger; 15198; NGF 31629 (K), 45131, 45174

### SAPINDACEAE

*Alectryon ferrugineus* (Bl.) Radlk.; 14728, 14802, 15247

*Arytera* cf. *litoralis* Bl.; 14925

*Cnesmocarpon discoloroides* Adema; 15092; NGF 25007

*Dictyoneura obtusa* Bl. ('Morobe race' oblique leaflets); 15362, 16427

*Euphorianthus euneurus* (Miq.) Leenh.; LAE 52318

*Guioa grandifoliola* Welzen; 14980; Conn et al. 195, 319 (nv); NGF 45154

*Guioa rigidiuscula* Radlk., or '*rigidiuscula* complex'; 15208, 16614

*Harpullia longipetala* Leenh.; 15165; NGF 25679

*Harpullia ramiflora* Radlk.; LAE 62055 (nv)

*Mischocarpus pyriformis* (F.v.M.) Radlk. ssp. *papuanus* (Radlk.) Ham; NGF 47775

*Pometia pinnata* J.R. & G. Forst.; NGF 31639

*Sarcopteryx squamosa* (Roxb.) Radlk.; NGF 44208, 45099

?*Synima* aff. *cordierorum* (F.v.M.) Radlk.; 14550, 14577, 14633

genus indet.; NGF 45216 (nv; listed as *Elattostachys* in LAE logbook)

### SAPOTACEAE

*Magodendron mennyae* Vink; 16570; Conn et al. 194; Jacobs 9537; NGF 24436, 45146

*Palaquium* cf. *warburgianum* Schltr.; 15085

*Pichonia* sp., ?*lauterbachiana* (H.J. Lam) Pennington; 14558, 14568, 14793, 14982, 14986 (nos. distr. as *Pouteria sarcospermoides*

H.J. Lam); LAE 51674; NGF 39435, 44605, 45107

*Pouteria ledermannii* (K. Krause) Baehni; 14471, 15088 (dets. W. Vink)

*Pouteria luzoniensis* (Merr.) Baehni; 14355

*Pouteria maclayana* (F.v.M.) Baehni; Jacobs 9573

*Pouteria obovoidea* H.J. Lam; NGF 24496

genus indet.; NGF 45188

### SIMAROUBACEAE

*Quassia indica* (Gaertn.) Nooteboom; 14389

### SOLANACEAE

*Capsicum anuum* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

*Solanum anfractum* Symon; Jacobs 9558; NGF 24441

*Solanum melongena* L.; SR, cult. Lababia

*Solanum symonianum* Takeuchi; 12027

### STEMONURACEAE

*Gomphandra* ?*pseudoprasina* Sleum.; LAE 62056 (nv)

*Stemonurus ammui* (Kaneh.) Sleum.; 14400, 14756, 14857, 14983; NGF 24481 (nv)

### SYMPLOCACEAE

*Symplocos cochinchinensis* (Lour.) S. Moore; 14464, 15008, 15152

### THEACEAE

*Gordonia papuana* Kobuski; 15093, 16576; NGF 31625 (K)

### THYMELAEACEAE

*Phaleria coccinea* (Gaud.) F.v.M.; 14745, 15017, 15193, 15218, 15565; NGF 28062 (K)

*Phaleria macrocarpa* (Scheff.) Boerl.; 16601

### URTICACEAE

*Dendrocnide longifolia* (Hemsl.) Chew; 15260

*Poikilospermum* sp.; 14934

### VERBENACEAE

*Stachytarpheta cayennensis* (Rich.) M. Vahl; 14537

### VITACEAE

*Cissus* sp., '*javana-discolor* group'; Jacobs 9592

*Tetrastigma* sp.; NGF 28074 (K; Leiden det. ticket gives *T. pedunculare*)

### WINTERACEAE

*Zygogynum* sp.; 14465

### FAMILY INDET.; 14373, 14374, 14675



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